



Bay native repeats 'Crowning Glory'

St. Joseph's Academy alumna returns to Bay 50 years later to again celebrate May crowning.

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Americorps is back in town

Another group from the domestic version of Peace Corps is offering help in Hancock.

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Pass homes tour is this afternoon

The Pass Christian Historical Society's annual Tour of Homes & Tea takes place today from 1:30-5 p.m. Tickets are \$10 adults, \$8 for 12 and under, and may be purchased at the Historical Society Building at 203 East Scenic Drive. Advance tickets available at BookEnds and Morning Market.

Red Beans and Rice for Scouts

The second annual Red-beans and Rice Dinner for Boy Scouts of America Troop 630 is set for Friday, May 11, at the National Guard Armory at 3016 Longfellow Dr., from 4-8:30 p.m. Cost is \$5 for individuals, \$15 for families.

Miss Martha's retirement gala

Trinity Nursery School welcomes all former and present students, parents, helpers and supporters to celebrate the career of Martha Burdette at a reception today at Trinity Church Hall, Pass Christian, at 11:30 a.m.

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Constable charged with domestic violence

BY GEOFF BELCHER
News Editor

Danny Hamby, constable for East Hancock County and a part-time sheriff's deputy, was jailed Friday on a domestic violence warrant.

"He's on administrative leave without pay," Sheriff Steve Garber said Friday, "pending an investiga-

tion and the outcome of the court case."

Hamby turned himself in at the Hancock County Justice Facility Friday morning after Justice Court Judge Tommy Carver signed the warrant for his arrest on Thursday based on complaints from a former girlfriend, who alleged that Hamby

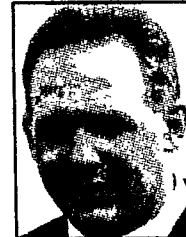
had severely beaten her Wednesday evening.

The woman, whose identity is being withheld, was treated for injuries and released at Gulfport Memorial Hospital.

Deputies went to Hamby's residence on Thursday to arrest him, but allowed him to seek treatment at a

Slidell hospital for dehydration and severe high blood pressure.

Garber said that a first-offense domestic violence charge is a misdemeanor, carrying a \$500 fine and/or up to six months in jail. Domestic violence does not become a felony in



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Danny Hamby

'Voices of Hope'



The Voices of Hope "2001 Peace Odyssey - Peace on Spaceship Earth," drew hundreds of children and their parents to St. Stanislaus Stadium in Bay St. Louis Friday night for fun, games, stories and a special ceremony honoring the area's "Peace Heroes." Among those honored were Ruth & Watson Johns, for their community service and volunteerism; Jerry Soroe, for his work with the reserve deputy program; the late Bay P.D. Officer John Pursley; Foster Care Specialist Terri Yetter; and Bay Fire Dept. worker Tammy Garber.

Echo staff photos by Geoff Belcher



Coast to get \$8.5M in impact funding

Hancock's share to exceed \$2M

BY BENNIE
SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

The three coastal counties will receive about \$8.5 million from the Coastal Impact Assistance Program (CIAP) to improve and protect the environment. Of that amount, Hancock County will receive \$2,090,724.

The figures were presented at a meeting at the Gulf of Mexico Program's River House Office at Stennis Space Center on Thursday. Projects ranging from improving water quality to protecting and conserving wetlands; conducting assessments, research, mapping and monitoring of coastal areas; and community education and

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Pass calls for ban on cellular towers

BY ED LEPOMA
Staff Writer

Pass Christian has clamped a moratorium on any additional telecommunications towers.

The Board of Aldermen took the action Wednesday on advice of its Planning Commission and Mayor Billy McDonald.

The mayor said applications for new towers are coming in weekly. "We want to stop and make sure we have some kind of control in place," said McDonald.

Peggy Johnson, the city's

CELL BAN-PAGE 9A

AMR paramedic honored in D.C. for Hancock efforts

BY ED LEPOMA
Staff Writer

This coming week will be a star-filled one for paramedic Roger Wade.

Wade and 99 others will be honored in Washington, D.C. by the American Ambulance Association as a national "Star of Life" for 2001-2002. The recognition is regarded as the highest honor given to paramedics nationwide.

A resident of Gulfport, Wade has

been employed for the last six and a half years by American Medical Response (AMR), which provides emergency medical service in Hancock and Harrison Counties.

He began his career in 1989 when he attended Jones Junior College in Ellisville and was certified as an EMT-Basic. He went on to the University of Southern Mississippi in Hattiesburg, completing courses certifying him as a paramedic.

Wade initially worked as an EMS Emergency Department Technician at Methodist Hospital in Hattiesburg. In 1991, he went to work for AAA Ambulance Service in Hattiesburg, as a dispatcher.

After becoming a nationally registered EMT-Paramedic in 1994, Wade joined the Gulfport staff of AMR.



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Roger Wade

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'Crowning Glory'



Bay Catholic sixth-graders Alex Boudreaux and Micah Elkins crown the Blessed Mother Statue in the Our Lady of the Wood Shrine, as Ann Noto Lynch looks on. Lynch, now a Tampa, Fla. resident, participated in the ceremony 50 years ago as a student at St. Joseph's Academy.

Bay Catholic Elementary School celebrated its annual May Crowning on Friday. The sixth and second grades joined to lead the celebration of music, Litany of Blessing essays and the crowning. All of the school's students marched to the Our Lady of the Wood Shrine to honor Mary with the official crowning ceremony.

Special guests for this year's ceremony included Ann Noto Lynch and her family from Tampa, Fla.

Lynch participated in the crowning of Mary 50 years ago as a first-grade student at St. Joseph's Academy.



Welcome Center honors tourists

The Hancock County Welcome Center, located I-10 and Hwy. 607 will celebrate National Tourism Week May 6-

12. Tourist Appreciation Day is Wednesday, May 9. Local entities from Hancock County will join the staff in welcoming tourists to our area from 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Diamondhead line dancers will perform 11-11:30 a.m.

Friday, May 11, Retired Senior Volunteer Program members will display arts and crafts from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Miss Mississippi Hospitality Sara Peters will be at the center 1-3 p.m. Christmas carols in Spanish.

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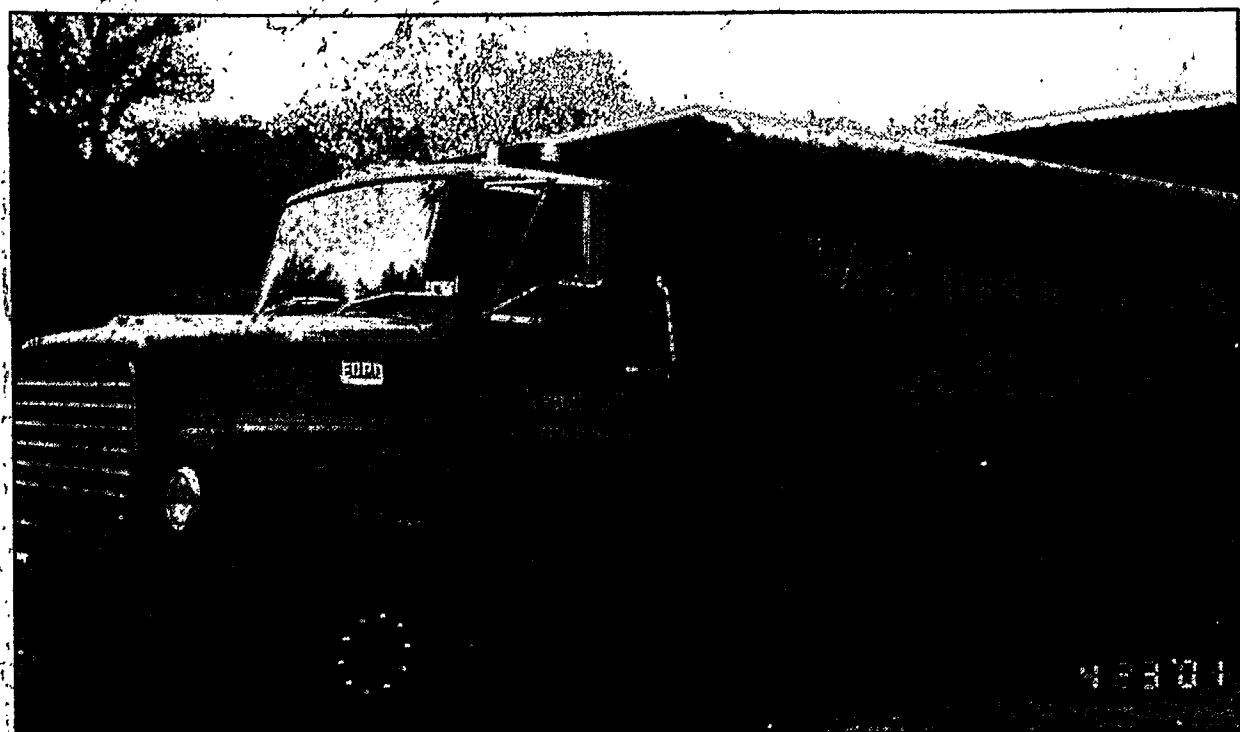
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Keep on Truckin'



West Hancock County Fire and Rescue has a new support unit available to any emergency agency in Hancock County. The truck carries equipment used in hazardous material control and clean up, special equipment such as jaws of life and air bags, equipment for building collapse and trench rescue, and for rescue in confined spaces. West Hancock is the only volunteer fire department in the county that has such a unit available. The truck was donated by the Diamondhead Social and Political Club.

Photo Courtesy of Chief Kim Jones

Health department lists new settling requirements

BY ED LEPOMA
Staff Writer

The state Department of Health will now require people wanting to settle in Hancock County to perform a soil/site evaluation on their property.

Willie Gavney, the county's chief building official and zoning enforcement officer, furnished a copy of new requirements issued recently by the county health department.

It notified him the simpler "perk" test would no longer be used to determine whether a landowner can construct a septic tank or needs another type of wastewater treatment.

"In a perk test, someone from the health department would come out to the property, dig a hole about 12 inches deep, fill it with water, then wait to see how long it took for the water to be absorbed in the soil or whether it just stood there," Gavney explained.

Now, the health department says "percolation tests are no longer done; instead, the environmentalist goes to the property and takes a soil sample."

The letter from the health department said, "The soil sample is used to determine the soil type, soil color, location of seasonal water table, and location of the restrictive horizon. With these results, the environmentalist makes a recommendation on the type of system needed for the property."

The letter also lists what the owner of a mobile home or builder of a home or business needs in order to file for a Notice of Intent (Form 908) to have a soil/site evaluation performed on the property.

Mobile home owners must have a survey of the property, a warranty deed, providing a legal description of the property, and pay a \$50 fee to the health

department.

Residential or commercial builders must have a survey of the property with the house and drive plotted out, a warranty deed, providing a legal description of the property, and also pay a \$50 fee.

If the property has an existing (sewerage) system that needs an approval, the applicant must also have an affidavit

providing completion and notarization of the existing system. The applicant should also include the name of the purchaser of the property and the date of the closing sale.

Health department environmentalists can provide a list of approved installers to those wanting to connect to an existing system, according to the letter.

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'Jazz in the Pass' kicks off Saturday

ECHO STAFF REPORT

Break out your lawn chairs and mark your calendars for the annual "Jazz in the Pass" celebration at Memorial Park on Scenic Drive in Pass Christian.

The event lasts from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Saturday, May 12, and includes live blues, jazz and gospel music, along with food and refreshments.

Featured performers include Marva Wright & the BMW's; Butch Gomez & The Regal Jazz Band; The MISSISSIPPI MUDBUGS; New Orleans Rendezvous Revelers; Our Mother of Mercy Mass Choir; Lark Johnson & the Jazz-A-Belle Strutters; and Pass Christian Elementary and High School.

For more information, contact event producer Jennie Lou Mintz, at 452-7779, or check out www.jazzinthepass.com.

The Jazz-A-Belles were formally organized as a result of several years of strutting together in St. Paddy's Day parades and from the spirited startup of Jazz in the Pass in 1999.

Sparked by 'the Lark' - Lark Johnson, that is - the group of ladies adapted to a uniform dress of black and white as they tote ornately designed jazz umbrellas.

Spectators here described it as truly a great thrill to see nearly 20 ladies doing the traditional second line strut.

Wherever they go, crowds gather around, as many of the onlookers are harangued into joining in at the back of the line with their handkerchiefs flowing, mimicking a good old New Orleans-style jazz funeral.

Lead strutter Lark Johnson exuberantly explains that, "We love a parade and love to be in a parade that has jazzed-up music."

Many of the members are outgrowths from the Coast's Newcomers Club and are thrilled to join in with local natives. The group is open to new membership and is willing to perform at any group function along the Coast. For information, call Lark at 452-2487.

Benefit set Saturday for man whose head was run over by truck

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER
Staff Writer

A benefit to help with the medical expenses of twenty year old Eric Stiglet will be held at the VFW Hall Post 4808 on Lower Bay Road, in Bay St. Louis on Saturday, May 19 from 10:30 a.m. till. The benefit is being organized by Eric's two aunts, Debra Berry and Beth Stiglet, both of whom helped raise him. Eric was hit by a truck in a bicycle accident in Slidell on March 5.

When he fell from the bicycle, the truck wheel went over his head causing severe intracranial damage.

"At first, the doctors gave us no hope at all for Eric even to live," said Berry. "But we couldn't give up on him and now he is showing positive signs of com-

ing out of the coma ... he wakes up and even smiles at us and has said a few words."

Eric needs mechanical ventilation, feeding tubes and cooling blankets to help his body do what it has stopped doing on its own, but Berry said that he is being weaned off the ventilator. "He is breathing on his own about 16 hours a day now," she said.

Berry said that Eric was in the process of moving back in with her, when the accident happened.

He had returned for more belongings and had only been gone from her house an hour when they received a call about the accident. "He was going to start to college along with my daughter," she said.

When the accident happened, the family placed an ad in the

paper asking people to pray for Eric. "We think it worked; we can't believe anything else," said Berry. "And we would like to thank everyone who prayed to pull him through."

Now Eric needs a therapy called Hyperbarics, which insurance does not cover. The treatment is very expensive. It works to stimulate and heal the brain, Berry said.

An account has been set up at Union Planter's Bank and donations may be made to the Eric Stiglet fund at any branch. The benefit on May 19 will include plate lunches, raffles, live music, a turkey shoot and more.

There will also be a yard sale and anyone wishing to donate should call Beth at 463-1847 or Debbie at 467-7474. They will be happy to pickup donations.

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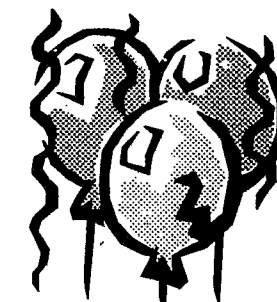
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Cuevas' Quotes

by Ellis C. Cuevas
Publisher Emeritus

A movement is under way to establish a Pearl River Community College Alumni Association in Hancock County. Since there is no PRCC Alumni Association in Hancock County, Frank Ladner reports that he is spearheading a drive for the formation of one.

There will be a meeting Monday, May 7, 5:30 p.m. at Waveland City Hall in Mayor Tommy Longo's office.

Ladner said there will be no dues to belong, and there will only be one or two meetings a year.

Many of our residents are PRCC alumni, and the formation of an Alumni Association sounds great.

Ladner envisions having some type of fund raiser each year to raise some funds to provide some type of scholarship to a young man or woman from Hancock County to PRCC.

If you need any further information, Ladner can be contacted at 467-7130.

A question presented to me several times in recent months, and I even wondered why myself, involves the pedestrian walkway and bike path. Why are there breaks in the 14-foot wide path?

This week Bennie Shellbetter found the answer to that question.

It seems the water table was high in the area, making it too wet to work on. So the contractor moved to a higher section of the beach and will return later to fill in the gaps.

As many of you know, whenever we are in a wet season, water even trickles across Beach Road in many areas of Waveland's beach.

The 2.6-mile walkway and bike path will really be welcomed by many folks, and it is to be from the Garfield Ladner Memorial Pier in Waveland to the American Legion Pier at Washington Street in Bay St. Louis.

Everyone who had anything to do with the Christmas In April project last week in Hancock County needs to be commended.

The homeowners of six homes in the area really benefited, and the occupants are all grateful to the sponsors and their supporters.

There were more than 200 workers, numerous groups, businesses and organizations making contributions of supplies.

Caring for others is just another one of those reasons that makes Hancock County such a great place.

Beverly Zimmerman gave me a call Friday morning about a St. Joseph Academy Alumni get-together planned for July 14.

Zimmerman, who is the coordinator for the SJA get-together reports that she and several others have been busy gathering the names and addresses of several classes, yet there are other classes they need information on.

SJA classes they need information on are from 1930 to 1939; 1941, 1943, 1944, 1945, 1948, 1957 and 1963.

Anyone with information on the above SJA classes is asked to contact Zimmerman at 467-4584.

We will be keeping you abreast of the gathering as the time nears.

In support of flood control

While Mississippians were observing our state's official flood awareness week high and dry, the homes and businesses of many of our northern neighbors along the Mississippi were filled with water.

Mississippi's latest flood evasion is not entirely fate, but is due largely to the precautions taken by generations of Mississippians during the past 74 years.

People along Mississippi's rivers know from experience that it is better to invest money for flood control now, than to pay with lives later. That's why I requested an appropriation to continue the Mississippi River and Tributaries Project this fiscal year and will do so in years to come.

Since the Great Flood of 1927, this ongoing flood control project has been saving lives. Through the years, I've visited folks along our state's rivers and coastline in communities whose very existence depends on man's ability to protect himself against natural disasters—particularly those wrought by water.

I know most of these Mississippians have no reservations about flood protection, or this project. I too live in an area susceptible to hurricanes and the deadly storm surges they bring, so I understand, appreciate and share the concerns of

people threatened by floods.

Yet, there are a few folks who don't care too much about the concerns of Mississippians on the front lines of flooding. Some people—mostly from outside our state's borders or outside our flood plains—oppose virtually all flood control efforts, citing a variety of staple excuses ranging from costs; aesthetics; and even the organizational structure of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, which is world renowned for its flood control expertise.

However, their overriding concern is driven by the environmental agenda and its lobby in Washington, D.C. Instead of continuing many of our ongoing flood control initiatives along the Mississippi, they believe that American taxpayers should spend billions—perhaps trillions—to buy up property—homes, businesses, farmland and everything—move Mississippi's people out, and just let those communities, farms and homes flood as they say nature intended.

That's their only proposed solution.

I suspect their plan would be a bit more comprehensive and imaginative if it were their homes, businesses or farmland at stake.

In fact, I get a chuckle thinking about the Jackson newspaper which continually derides



FROM THE SENATE

By State Senator
Trent Lott

flood control efforts in the Mississippi Delta, all the while pleading the urgency for flood control in Jackson. Unlike them, I believe protecting people from floods should not be an either/or proposition—on who his the most population, or the most valuable property.

Flood control is a life or death issue no matter where the flood zone may be. It should be applied to all areas of our state and nation with people and property threatened by flooding, and that's what the Mississippi River and Tributaries Project seeks to do.

I have no doubt that this project is a good investment. Since this effort began after the horrendous Flood of 1927, Mississippians have intensified and diversified our flood control efforts, holding off a number of dangerous floods.

The monumental 1927 flood—which extended over 26,000 square miles killing more than 500 people and driving more than 700,000 people from their homes—dispelled the notion

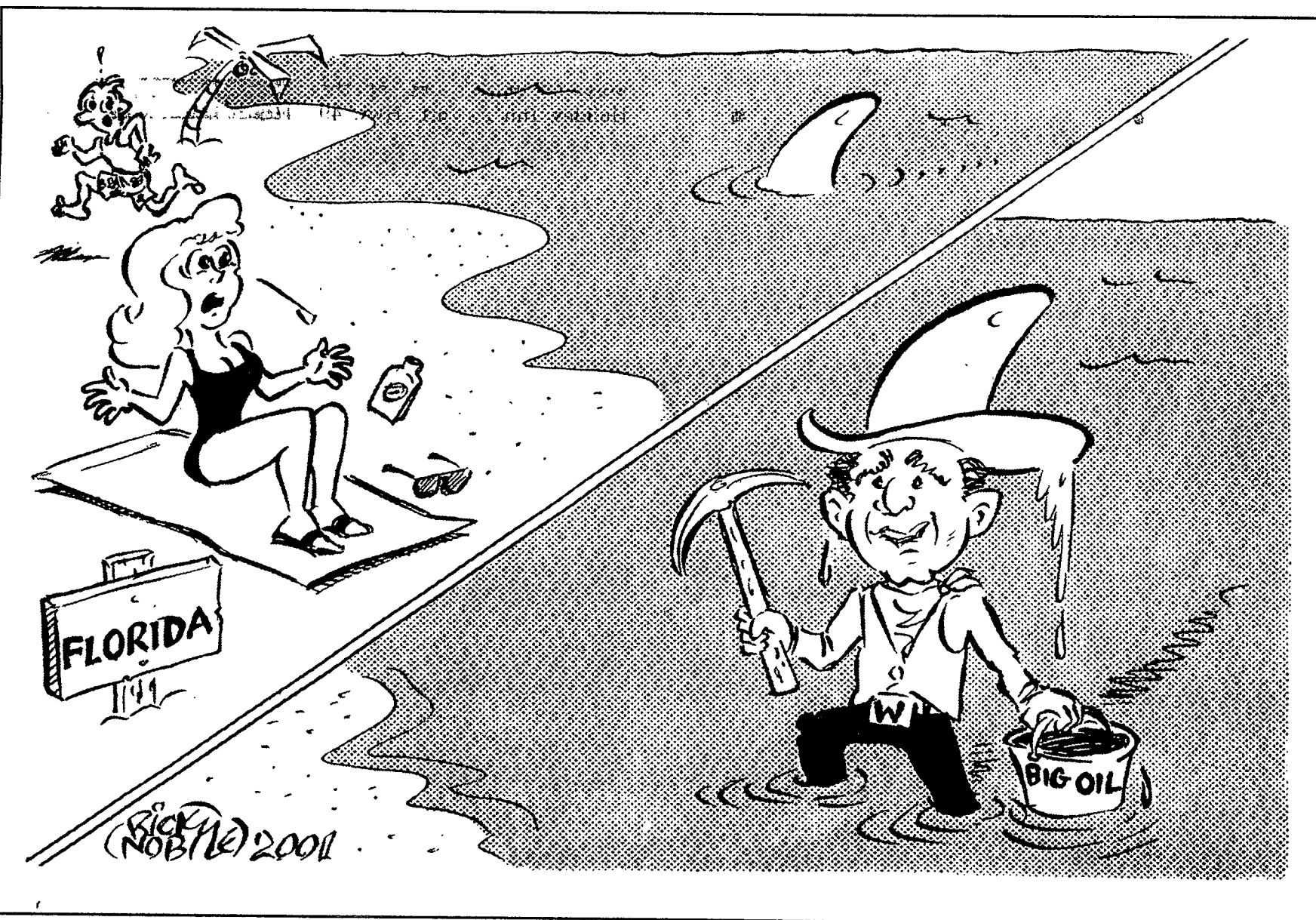
that levees alone could protect against a flood's fury.

Thirteen crevasses to the main Mississippi River levees occurred, and flood control experts immediately shifted their focus toward a more proactive approach of managing water flow, embodied by this project.

That's why our state has so many flood control lakes today like Arkabutla, Sardis, Enid, Grenada and Ross Barnett—all part of this broad effort.

It is also why we continue to pursue periodic maintenance dredging of our rivers called for by this project—like the Big Sunflower River maintenance dredging, to facilitate the flow of water and to maintain the river's depth for commercial use and habitat.

A flood is no respecter of persons, everyone in or near a flood plain—rich, poor, old, young—all can be a flood's victims. The Mississippi River and Tributaries Project is helping to make all Mississippians in these areas much safer.



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TECHNICALITIES

By State Auditor
Phil Bryant
COUNTIES

Q Since Section 27-35-25 no longer requires the State Tax Commission to provide paper forms and binders for each county's real and personal property tax assessment rolls, who must provide these supplies to the tax assessor and chancery clerk?

A Section 27-35-27 requires that one each of the personal and real assessment rolls shall be delivered to the assessor, and the others shall be kept by the clerk of the board of supervisors, to be used in making the required copies.

Therefore, the board of supervisors must provide for the expense in its annual budget.

Q Since county sheriffs' salaries authorized by Section 25-3-25 are based upon the latest federal decennial census, when does any increase or

decrease in compensation take effect? I

A Any increase or decrease in sheriffs' salaries becomes effective from the date of the official federal census release, March 8, 2001, on a prorated basis, not from the beginning of the calendar or fiscal year.

(Attorney General's opinion to Chaffin dated April 16, 1991 and U.S. Bureau of Census)

Q Does a board vote of two for, two against, and one abstention result in passage of a motion?

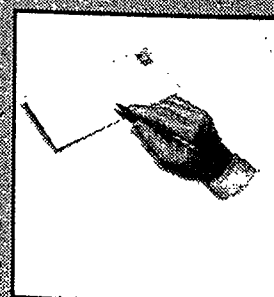
A No. An abstention is counted in the majority, but where an abstention results in a tie vote, the abstention will not be counted. Since passage of a motion requires a majority vote, a motion which receives a vote of two for, two against and one abstention would fail.

(Attorney General's opinion to Wolfe dated January 26, 2001)

Letters to the Editor

Our letters policy

The Sea Coast Echo welcomes comments from its readers. Letters must be signed and include address or telephone number. Letters should be brief, preferably typewritten and double-spaced. Only one letter per writer per month. The editor reserves the right to edit or reject letters. Letters of thanks, expressions of appreciation and political endorsements are inappropriate.



Q How much does a constable charge for serving process on an additional defendant in a case where there is more than one defendant, and the additional defendant is at a different address in the same county? A \$5. (§ 25-7-27)

Q May the board of supervisors pay matching employer's contributions on fees paid to the

medical examiner or his deputy for death reports and autopsies under Section 41-61-75(1)?

A Yes. Payments provided for in Section 41-61-75(1) are "direct payments for services rendered" by the coroner to the county, and the board supervisors is authorized to pay the matching employer's contributions out of county general funds.



Compiled by
ELLIS C. CUEVAS
Publisher Emeritus

TEN YEARS AGO

April 25, 1991 - The Chamber of Commerce's new executive director has unpacked her luggage for now. Cynthia Vernon, a Bay St. Louis resident, began working as the chamber's executive director April 22 after almost two years of traveling. Her most recent position with Wal-Mart was as the Pacific/Midwest region set-up coordinator, where she supervised 20 management members and 300 staff personnel to train and staff and schedule new Wal-Mart locations in 10 states.

The Bay High tennis team, behind two first place finishes, one second place finish, and one semi-finalist, won the District VIII Division 8-3A championship Friday. In the boys single play, senior Paul Compretta of Bay High won the division championship giving up only four games in two matches. In the boys doubles action,

April 23, 1981 -- Naval Oceanographic Office celebrates 150th anniversary

Jermain Labat and Trent Favre played excellent tennis in winning the championship for Bay High.

TWENTY YEARS AGO

April 23, 1981 - The Naval Oceanographic Office at NSTL will celebrate its 150th birthday next month with the largest public event ever undertaken by the Navy at the Hancock County facility. The to-day celebration is expected to draw 2,000 participants from Navy personnel, other employees at NSTL, and the nation's professional oceanographic community. Events will take place in a 20,000 square foot air-conditioned tent which will be erected especially for the occasion.

The Hancock County Board of Supervisors Monday authorized sending a letter to the Mississippi Highway Department and directed Sheriff Ronnie Peterson to meet with highway officials in an attempt to remedy the number of traffic fatalities and accidents occurring on Highway 603. Peterson addressed the board at the beginning of the board meeting after an accident Sunday on Highway 603 claimed the life of a Long Beach man.

FORTY YEARS AGO

April 27, 1961 - The 65th

anniversary of the founding of the Bay St. Louis Masonic Lodge 429 will be celebrated with a family night dinner and program in the Masonic Temple at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday. William E. Moore, worshipful master, is inviting all Masons and their families to join in the celebration. Chris Reab is serving as master of ceremonies with committee members Paul Henley, John Rutherford, Jr., Jim Normand and Adolph Doberin.

Springtime is Focus On Beauty. (Photos) James Mayfield, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Mayfield of Waveland, and Edith Traub, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Traub of Bay St. Louis, have been named Mr. and Miss Bay High. Superintendent Joe D. McCullough of the Municipal Separate School District crowns Kathy Kramer as queen of the Bay High junior-senior prom Friday night. Prom king was Paul Miller. Diane Bilbo, Wynn Heath and Sandra Seuzeneau are competing for the honor of the queen of the annual spring festival of St. Joseph's Academy. The winner's name is kept a secret until she is crowned by last year's queen, Helen Puckett, at ceremonies at 8 p.m. Saturday.

A telegram received by Mayor John A. Scafide from U.S. Representative William Colmer

Monday telling of recommended improvements for the local airport has Board of Supervisors president R. G. (Manny) Hubbard, Jr., mystified but pleased. The wire states that the Federal Aviation Agency is recommending a series of developments at the airport over the next five years, including acquiring land, constructing runways, an apron and a taxiway, relocating the road, clearing approaches, and constructing fences and a wind cone and segmented circle marker. The airport, (behind the county fairgrounds on Longfellow Road) was opened in 1953 and is owned by the county.

FIFTY YEARS AGO

April 27, 1951 - The Reverend Lacy August Green, Jr., upon his ordination Saturday, May 5, will be the second priest ever ordained at Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church in its entire history. The late Reverend Bishop Leo F. Fahey was ordained here in 1926. He was a native son of Bay St. Louis and served as an assistant pastor here for a number of years following his ordination. Rev. Green, the son of Lacy Green of Michoud, La., and the late Elizabeth Gutierrez, was born in Lakeshore June 11, 1925. He attended Ansley grade school and Gulfview School,

Lakeshore from 1936 to 1941. He attended the Waveland Public School and Bay St. Louis High School. He went to St. Stanislaus College for one year after which he entered St. Joseph's Preparatory Seminary, St. Benedict, La. In January, 1946, he entered the major seminary at Notre Dame in New Orleans. He will celebrate his first Solemn High Mass at 11:30 a.m., Sunday, May 6, at Our Lady of the Gulf.

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CVSO

Smith unveils wide-ranging veterans' benefits package

U.S. Rep. Chris Smith (R-NJ) recently introduced his first major bill as chairman of the House Veterans' Affairs Committee. The proposed bill includes a comprehensive package of burial, disability, and pension benefit improvements.

"This measure would make a number of needed improvements to VA benefits and services," Smith said on the House floor.

"Veterans benefits are earned opportunities. They are earned through selfless and often hazardous service to our nation, during war and peace alike. Doing right by America's sons and daughters who have worn the military uniform is firmly ingrained in our national values, our national pride, and our sense of moral responsibility."

Key provisions of the measure would:

1. Increase the burial and funeral allowance from \$1,500 to \$2,000 for veterans whose deaths are service-connected, and from \$300 to \$500 for veterans with non-service connected disabilities and increase the burial plot allowance from \$150 to \$300;

2. Increase the assistance to severely disabled veterans for automobile and adaptive equipment from \$8,000 to \$9,000 and for specially adapted housing grants from \$43,000 to \$48,000;

3. Revise the net worth rules of VA's means-tested pension program to exclude the value of real property used for agriculture;

4. Expand the definition of "eligible dependent" for purposes of VA outreach services;

5. Extend to as early as nine months before discharge the time that VA, Department of Defense, and Department of Labor transition counseling is available to someone leaving military service.

The period would be extended to as much as 18 months for those retiring after military careers. Presently, only 90 days

are allowed for transition counseling.

6. Permit veterans to use VA education benefits for certificate programs offered by an institution of higher learning by way of independent study.

Smith has stated that he and Ranking Democrat Member Lane Evans (D-IL) would "fast track" the measure. Smith tied the burial and funeral provisions to VA's acknowledgment that the death rate among veterans will continue to increase, peaking around the year 2008. More than 1,500 veterans now die every day.

"The amount payable for these benefits has remained constant for many years in spite of inflation," Smith said. "The purchasing power associated with these provisions still is limited, and I consider these provisions as a starting point for further improvements."

Public hearing set on aging & adult services

The Area Agency on Aging of Southern Mississippi Planning and Development District and the Mississippi Department of Human Services Division of Aging and Adult Services will conduct a public hearing Friday, May 11, at 10 a.m. at the Holiday Inn Airport, Hwy. 49 North, Gulfport.

The purpose is to present the annual update of the State Plan for Aging and the Area Plan for Aging for fiscal year 2002.

The Area Plan for Aging is for the 15 southernmost counties of Mississippi.

Written comments will also be accepted through May 31.

Written comments should be mailed to:

Eunice McGlory, Director
Area Agency on Aging
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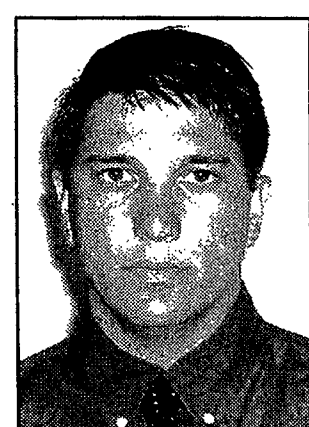
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To The Voters of Hancock County



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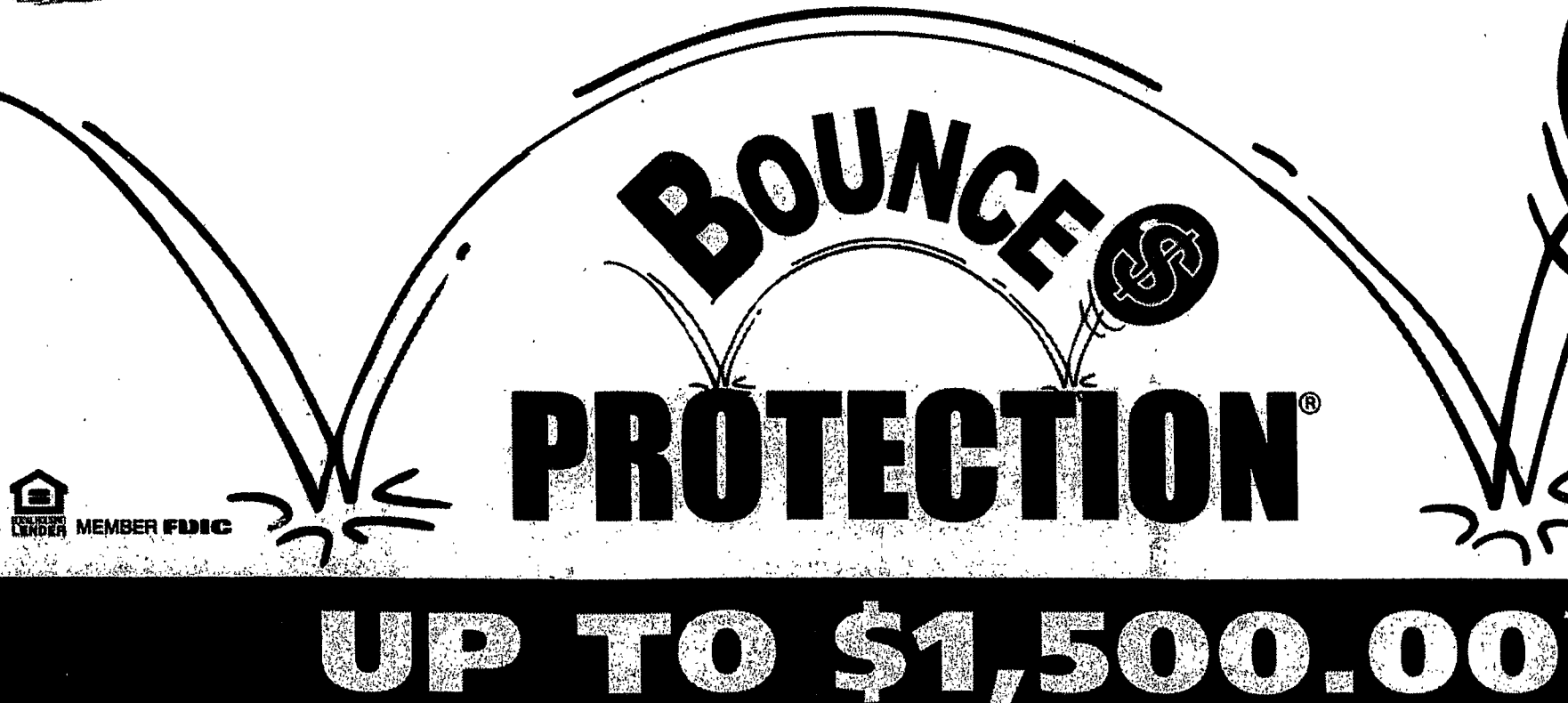
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Happy MOTHER'S DAY

National Outstanding Mother — Class of 2001

The nomination of the National Outstanding Mothers, not even a generation old yet, has already become a national institution and an influence for good on a generation of people both young and old.

Initiated in 1979, the Outstanding Mother Award, at 22 years old has been conferred on the famous and near famous alike and has been coveted by some of the nation's leading advocates.

Women selected to carry forward their leadership roles in

society are contemporary thinkers and doers, whose actions influence the direction of the way the population works and lives day in and day out.

This year's nominees, all Mothers of Achievement, were honored at a luncheon sponsored by Levi Strauss in the Sheraton New York Hotel. The event was presided by Jane Hanson who acted as the Mistress of Ceremony. Receiving the honor among

Ireland, model and actress; Nancy Kerrigan, world class figure skater; Karen Murray, president of Claiborne brands; and Jane Seymour, author and award-winning actress.

In addition to supporting a mother's role as homemaker, the Mother's Day Committee seeks to interpret the needs and interests of today's mothers and address their concerns for their futures and their family's needs and hopes for tomorrow.

The Committee takes an active position in raising funds for breast cancer research and in fund-raising activities that could bring the twin goals of awareness and eradication to everyone.

Among those mothers honored in previous ceremonies are: New York State senator Hillary Clinton, Barbara Bush, Marylyn Quayle, Katie Couric, Madeline Albright, Cokie Roberts, Loida Lewis and Ann Curry.

The role of mother has evolved since the first Mother's Day was observed in Grafton, West Va. in 1908.

Back then, mom's place was in the home, cooking, baking, sewing and cleaning.

Today, 48 percent of the work force is female and 75 percent of today's mothers work outside of the home.

But with progress, new obstacles may arise. Mothers

mom and dad working in concert to reach satisfactory solutions. One important way out is education that enables many mothers to join the work force, another is equal pay for equal work. These issues are definitely in the spotlight at the Outstanding Mother Award ceremonies. Conversely, dads have learned that it is compensatory to help with chores and child-rearing. If it takes two incomes to pay for a higher standard of living, one should expect that it surely takes two



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Moms with grown children have more time but less worry about cleaning now that their children aren't eating off the floor. What they would like is a vacuum cleaner that doesn't weigh a ton, works on carpets and bare floors and cleans above the floor, too. This type of vacuum could work upstairs, in a vacation condo or at the cabin on the lake. The WhirlWind Lite, model 410 does the job and retails for about \$99.99.

If dad likes tools and toys there are some gifts that may serve double-duty. If his toy is a boat, motorcycle or car, then a hand vac along with a hand-held steamer would make it possible for him to clean upholstery, clean off grease and detail the fiberglass and chrome. If his hobby is a big wooly dog, then a bagless upright vacuum could easily become man's next best friend. What's out there? Combine the BOSS Cordless hand vac model 79A and Hot Shot steamer model 350. Together, they can be found on sale for less than \$100. Eureka's new WhirlWind Big Cup model 4686 can handle the wooliest dog hair and wet dog smell for \$189.99. It also has sealed True HEPA filtration to help reduce allergens.

The graduate needs everything, but on graduation day he or she may not realize it. Ignore the "look" you will get when your child opens your present and finds a vacuum. Know that after three weeks in the dormitory or in a first apartment, he or she will be looking for this gift and using it with enthusiasm. The Eureka WhirlWind Lite model 410 costs about \$99.99. The lightweight battery operated BOSS Lite model 96A also doubles as a hand vac and retails for \$49.99 everywhere.

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The variety of Mother's Day gifts to choose from seems to increase each year that passes. Although the price of postage edges up ever so slightly every two years or so, the most affordable way to show mom you care is with a greeting card.

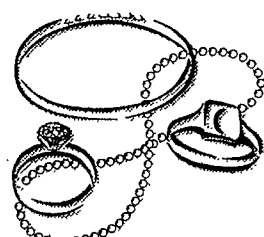
Some moms like their greeting cards light and humorous while others favor the emotional and traditional ones. You can make your own at one of the machines around town or compose one on your

personal computer. Cards for grandmothers, aunts, cousins and friends are also available — don't leave anyone out!

This year the postal service will keep busy distributing about 150,000,000 greeting cards, so get yourself off to the stores and make your purchases early. Remember, Mother's Day is Sunday, May 13th, so don't put off buying and posting your cards early.

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Approximately 75 percent of today's mothers with children under 18 are in the work force, bringing home all or part of the family income. Their schedules from breakfast until the late-evening news are often intensive and demanding. Casual apparel that gives them freedom of movement and yet keeps them looking their best any time of the day or night is in high demand.

If you have a mother whose day planner looks as if she was running a blue chip corporation (which she may be doing), and you want to zero in on a gift that is flattering, exciting, contemporary and very useful, select uncomplicated pieces for her wardrobe. A few basic items, like black slacks, a white button-down cotton shirt or a casual sweater will be a welcomed gift.

Mom can dress casually for many activities. Early morning walkathons, jogging, aerobics and shopping are just a few exam-

ples. If your mom is not athletic or is not involved in any type of fitness program, she can always use casual apparel to relax in at home during the last intimate hours of the day as she unwinds from a life full of demands.

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Obituaries

RUBY AKINS
ROBERT BARRY
GLADYS COX
ROBERT JOSEPH LONG
JOHN F. MCKAY
CHARLES POOLE
THOMAS RAPHAEL SR.

RUBY AKINS

Ruby Lee Akins, 77, of Pass Christian, died Sunday, April 29, 2001, in Gulfport.

Mrs. Akins was born in Moselle and lived in Quitman most of her life. She had lived in Pass Christian for the past 1 1/2 years.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Charles M. Akins. Survivors include a son, Mike Akins of Long Beach; and a brother, Homer Williams of Hattiesburg.

Bradford O'Keefe Funeral Home in Gulfport is in charge of arrangements.

ROBERT BARRY

Robert Barry, 52, of Bay St. Louis, died Wednesday, May 2, 2001, in Gulfport.

Arrangements are incomplete at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

THOMAS RAPHAEL SR.

Thomas Webb Raphael Sr., 87, of Waveland died Wednesday, May 2, 2001.

Mr. Raphael was a native of New Orleans and former owner of the Raphael Wholesale Poultry Co. for over 25 years.

He was the husband of Claire Coleman Raphael; son of the late Lamar J. Raphael and

Bertha Raymond Raphael; stepson of the late Juanita Cuquet Raphael; father of Thomas W. Jr., Robert M., David C. and Raymond R. Raphael; brother of Lamar J. Raphael Jr., Benny Raphael, Shirley Levy, Juanita Grimes, Estelle Cosson, Joyce Eumont, Milton L. Raphael and the late Ivy Harmon. He is survived by 16 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

A Funeral Mass will be celebrated by Rev. Noel Fannon at Lake Lawn Metairie Funeral Home, 5100 Pontchartrain Blvd. (in Metairie Cemetery) Saturday, May 5 at 11 a.m. Visitation will be from 9:30 a.m. until time of service. Interment will be in Metairie Cemetery.

The family prefers memorials to the Scholarship Fund of St. Clare School, 234 S. Beach Blvd., Waveland, MS 39576.

GLADYS COX

Gladys Francine Stephensen Cox, 65, of Pass Christian, died Wednesday, May 2, 2001, in Gulfport.

Mrs. Cox was a native and lifelong resident of Pass Christian. She was a member of Trinity Episcopal Church in Pass Christian.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Walter and Ida Favre Stephensen.

Survivors include her husband, William H. Cox of Pass Christian; two daughters, Dawn Hefte of Covington, La., and Kim Losilia of David, Panama;

three sons, Herman F. Cox of Gulfport, Richard H. Cox of

Petal and Steve Cox of DeLisle; three sisters, Bea Windham and Nellie Rogers, both of Long Beach, and Deloreg Jones of Nashville; two brothers, Buddy Stephensen of Kiln and Cecil Stephensen of Columbia; and nine grandchildren.

Visitation was Friday evening at Riemann Funeral Home in Pass Christian. Services were conducted Saturday at Trinity Episcopal Church. Burial was in Live Oak Cemetery in Pass Christian.

The family prefers memorials to Trinity Episcopal Church, 125 Church Ave., Pass Christian, MS 39571.

ROBERT JOSEPH LONG

Robert Joseph Long, 67, of Kiln, died Thursday, May 3, 2001, in Bay St. Louis.

Mr. Long was a native of Mobile and a longtime resident of Hancock County. He was of the Catholic faith.

He was preceded in death by his two parents, Edward R. and Otis C. Long.

Survivors include two sisters, Carol Williams of Waveland; and Pat Fitzpatrick of Gretna.

Visitation will be Monday from 10-11 a.m. at the Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis. A praayer service will begin at 11 a.m., with interment to follow in the Garden of Memory Cemetery, Bay St. Louis.

JOHN F. MCKAY

John Floyd McKay, 46, of Pass Christian, died Thursday,

May 3, 2001, in Biloxi.

Mr. McKay was a native of Pass Christian. He was a long-shoreman and associate editor of the Tarpon Beacon Newspaper in Pass Christian for several years; worked as a pressman for Copy Express in Gulfport; and was last employed by Parker Printing.

He worked with his father in civil defense in Pass Christian at the time of Hurricane Camille.

He was preceded in death by his father, Ray Parnell McKay Sr.; and a brother, Ray Parnell McKay Jr.

Survivors include his ex-wife, Bobbie McKay; his mother, Jessie Ione McKay; two sons, Joel John McKay and Shaun Floyd Jerone, both of Pass Christian; a daughter, Jennifer Ann McKay Parker of Long Beach; a sister, Veronica Ann McKay Jamison of Summit; and two grandchildren, Joshua Ray Parker and Laura Mildred Parker of Long Beach.

Visitation is today at 2 p.m. at Riemann Funeral Home in Pass Christian. The funeral will be at 3 p.m., followed by burial in Live Oak Cemetery.

The family prefers memorials to Riverside Baptist Church in Long Beach.

CHARLES POOLE

Charles Poole, 59, of Bay St. Louis, died Thursday, May 3, 2001, in Bay St. Louis.

Arrangements are incomplete at Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis.

Sheriff offers summer camp

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Casino Magic participates in national 'Take Our Daughters to Work Day'

SPECIAL TO THE ECHO

Casino Magic Bay St. Louis recently participated in the ninth annual Take Our Daughters to Work® Day April 26.

Magic Team members such as Cassie Williams of Diamondhead, brought not only her two daughters, Heidi, 13, and Molly, 11, to work, but also her teenage son, Tristan, 17.

Williams is an administrative assistant to the table games department. Her children assisted her by typing memos on computers, filing documents, and answering telephones. She says this helps them learn computer, organizational and customer service skills.

Advertising Coordinator Mary Blanchard of Waveland, brought her daughter, Meggan, 13, to work. Meggan, who is a student at Bay-Waveland Middle School, assisted her mother in proofing the casino's advertising and organizing newspaper ads.

Leisha Baudin, also of Waveland, is the accounts payable supervisor at the casino. She said Bay-Waveland Middle School encouraged everyone to participate in the



Cassie Williams, took her daughters, Mollie, left, and Heidi to work with her at Casino Magic Bay St. Louis on the national Take Our Daughters To Work® Day, April 26.

day so she brought her son, Jeff, 13. He assisted her with daily duties of binding, faxing and copying important documents. "Take Our Daughters To Work Day was something new to me."

"When I was approached by several team members about bringing their kids to work in non-gaming areas, I thought it was an excellent way to show

children the many career opportunities available to them," said General Manager Todd Raziano. Millions of girls and boys, primarily ages 9 to 15, took over the workforce with parents, relatives, friends, neighbors, and other mentors to gain a better understanding of the careers the world has to offer.

The theme for Take Our Daughters to Work was "Girl

Force," which encouraged girls to think big when envisioning the future.

Views on Dental Health Safety in Age



Frank L. Conaway Jr. DMD

You may think there is safety in age, but age doesn't mean a thing where dental disease is concerned. There is no "safe" age, and age in itself should not mean tooth loss, at least not if you get regular dental care.

The gum disease gingivitis and the more serious periodontal disease where tooth-supporting bone is lost, know no age barriers. Children and adults alike can be threatened. Gingivitis and periodontal disease usually develop slowly and may not cause any pain or discomfort until an abscess develops.

Unfortunately, it is much too easy for gingivitis to progress to periodontal disease without your being aware of it.

It's not like a toothache that quickly lets you know when something is wrong. When the gums begin to recede and teeth begin to loosen major work will be needed to save them.

Don't wait for that to happen to you. Get regular dental checkups. At the first signs of gum problems, have the condition treated by your dentist so your teeth will last as long as you do.

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Rocky Hill-Dedeaux slated to be paved

BY ED LEPOMA
Staff Writer

A sub-contractor is expected to start work soon to pave Rocky Hill-Dedeaux Road, which District 5 Supervisor Jay Cuevas declared "unacceptable" last December.

Larry Seal, Hancock County's former road engineer, reported to supervisors that the work will begin as soon as the prime contractor, Rich Construction of Lumberton, submits the paperwork, and the sub-contractor is approved.

Seal estimated paving the road with hot asphalt beginning at state Hwy. 603, then west for a length of 2.6 miles will cost approximately \$85,000 more. He told supervisors the state

will pay half the cost and Rich Construction, which posted the required performance bond, will pay half. The original cost of the project was let at \$714,000.

The project, financed 100 percent by state-aid road funds, originally called for laying down a rock-tar based mixture on the road, in addition to building up and reinforcing the edges or crown along the curving roadway.

However, motorists on the well-traveled road soon began to complain the mixture did not hold, creating ruts in the highway and hazardous driving conditions. The contract did not call for striping the roadway, but Seal said under new plans, it will be striped.

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Impact -- Hancock gets \$2M

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outreach, will go before local boards over the next ten days for review and/or approval.

New recreational and business opportunities have created unprecedented population growth and economic development in coastal counties over the last ten years. The latest census figures indicate that the population in Hancock County itself has increased more than 35 percent in that time, and the county has seen a 21.8 percent increase in the number of businesses in the last seven years alone. Though many aspects of this growth are positive, officials say, the county faces a challenge in terms of its implications on public health and safety, and their ecological and

economic implications.

According to a report handed out at Thursday's meeting, four principle environmental issues embody this challenge in Hancock County:

Contamination of rivers, bays, and near shore waters caused by pathogens, organic enrichment, nutrients, and turbidity; wetlands loss, including sea grass, coastal marshes and pine Savannah areas; introductions of foreign nuisance species, and their associated impacts on commercial and recreational fisheries, tourism, and ecological condition of coastal waters; and deteriorating air quality.

The Hancock County CIAP project plan was developed by a local government planning

team, including representatives from the Hancock County Board of Supervisors, Bay St. Louis, Waveland, and the Hancock County Chamber of Commerce. The local team was assisted by state, local, and federal technical advisors. The planning was facilitated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Gulf of Mexico Program Office, which helped the county develop a comprehensive wastewater treatment plan last year.

Planners chose projects that would have the most significant and immediate results in supporting local efforts to achieve measurable environmental outcomes in compliance with the authorized uses of CIAP funds,

the report said.

A project plan will be presented at the Hancock County Board of Supervisors meeting on Monday, and to the Bay St. Louis City Council and to the Waveland Board of Aldermen at their regular workshop meetings on May 7 and May 14, respectively. A public meeting will be held to present and discuss the county project recommendations on May 21 at the Civic Center on Longfellow Drive. After a ten day public comment period, the project plan is scheduled to be finalized on May 31 and submitted to the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality and the Governor's office for final review.

Wade -- honored in D.C.

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During his time with AMR, Wade has seen his share of emergency situations. He was the third paramedic to assist on-site in 1995 when a 19-vehicle pileup on the Interstate 10 bridge through Moss Point left five dead, including two children.

Most recently, he assisted on-scene transporting the injured when two charter buses carrying tourists on a gambling junket collided on the Biloxi-Ocean Springs bridge.

Wade said he is trained in life-threatening situations, and does not let stress get to him.

"Honestly, I don't have much stress. I don't take the job home with me," he said.

In his off-time, he enjoys the company of his wife, Esther,

daughter, Kayla, 11, and sons Jeremy, 6, and Daniel, 2.

Wade was selected for the "Star of Life" honor by his managers and fellow EMTs in Gulfport. Mike Sturgill, AMR's operations manager, said, "Wade was named a Star of Life for providing excellent care to patients and in recognition of his dedication and exceptional leadership skills."

He said Wade is "widely recognized for his professionalism and integrity, which is above reproach."

Sturgill said, "Field crews appreciate his clinical abilities and mentoring skills, and management recognizes his interest in the operation and his willingness to do what it takes to get the job done."

Wade also represents AMR in the rural portions of AMR's service area, assisting in strengthening relations with elected officials, public safety agencies and the community in general.

"He readily assimilated to this role and has received a lot of praise for his service," said Sturgill. "Roger is exactly the person AMR should want representing them as a Star of Life--he is a true star, with a very bright future."

Wade left Saturday for a five-day, all-expense trip to the nation's capital to attend the recognition ceremonies for other Stars of Life gathered from around the United States. He was accompanied by Steve Delahoussey, AMR's Director of

Operations, and lifelong friend and fellow paramedic, Joel Ellzie, who went through basic and paramedic training with him and also works for AMR.

All told, AMR, the nation's largest ambulance service which operates in 34 states, will send 31 Stars of Life to the Washington ceremonies.

The American Ambulance Association is based in Washington, and is the national trade association, representing an industry that employs more than 70,000 EMTs and paramedics nationwide.

The title "Star of Life" comes from the six-pointed emblem displayed on ambulances nationwide.

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code enforcement officer, said with the approval of sites for two additional towers, there will be a total of eight in the city.

"That's a lot for a city the size of six-square miles," said Johnson. Wednesday night, aldermen gave preliminary approval of plans by Geonet Towers, Inc., to subdivide property on east North Street in order to construct a telecommunications tower. Aldermen also approved setting a 160-foot-high tower on Pine Avenue, south of West North Street.

Johnson said the permit office charges varying fees for the towers, depending on the investment and equipment. The fee is a one-time charge, she said. Afterwards, the property and equipment goes on the tax rolls, she said.

Gulf Coast Wireless (A Sprint PCS affiliate) plans to build the 160-foot tower on 382 Pine Avenue at the corner of West North Street on land owned by Aalco Self Storage.

In the second application, Horizons, PCS plans to build its tower at 609 East North Street. Century Tel, Digiph, PCS

and Tritel Communications/Spectra Site, already have towers on West North Street.

In addition, Southern Link and Bell South have towers on Pearson Street and MS Cellular South has one on N. Market Street.

In all cases, Johnson said the city requires the tower locations to include a "fall zone" that is large enough to absorb the impact without damaging nearby property in the event it falls. Most towers are also fenced in and the adjoining

shelter room housing equipment is locked and available only to employees of each company. Hancock County is much larger than Pass Christian, but the Planning and Zoning Commission has handled a growing number of requests for telecommunications towers.

About a month ago, the permit fee was raised to \$800 for any carrier building a tower in Hancock County. If additional carriers put their antennae on the tower, each are charged a \$400 fee.

Hamby

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Mississippi until there has been a third offense.

While Hamby is in effect suspended from the sheriff's office, Garber said "He's still actively a constable."

The determination on what to do about the constable's position would be up to state Attorney General Mike Moore, Garber said, although if convicted of the charge, he would be unable to own or carry a firearm.

Hamby, a 32-year-old Kiln resident, was elected constable in 1999, and recently told friends and acquaintances he had plans to seek the justice court seat held for many years by Judge Joe Dobson. Prior to his election, he had also served as a sheriff's deputy in Harrison County.

He was released from custody Friday afternoon after posting two \$1,000 bonds. A further hearing in the matter

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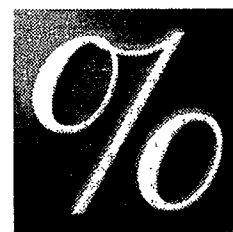
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SPORTS

Dennis/Carter win state tennis title

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
Staff Writer

Hancock County was well represented at the state high school tennis tournament on April 30 and May 1 in Jackson. The St. Stanislaus/OLA tennis had seven athletes participating in the annual event. The Rocks tied for runner-up honors in Class 4A with nine points and the mixed doubles team of Sarah Carter and Padrick Bratton/Cranford 6-3, 6-4 in the semi-finals. The team from Aberdeen eventually won the girls doubles state title.

The SSC/OLA mixed doubles team of Padrick Dennis/Sarah Carter powered through state tournament without losing a game. In the first round, Dennis/Carter disposed of Price/Parsons of Alcorn Central 6-2, 6-0. In the quarter-final match, the SSC/OLA team blanked Stone/Chivas of Stone County 6-0, 6-0.

Harrell/Bell of Aberdeen was the opponent in the semi-final match that met the same fate as the first two by the score of 6-2, 6-0.

In the finals, Dennis/Carter outlasted the team of Sam Sones/Kim McBride of Brookhaven 6-4, 7-5 for the title.

The overall standings for Class 4A in the state meet were state champion Brookhaven with 11 points, SSC/OLA and Cleveland with 9 points, Aberdeen 6, Oxford 6, Laurel 4, St. Martin 4, Stone County 4, Tishomingo County 3, Bay High 2, McComb 2, Northeast Lauderdale 2, Weston 2, West Jones 2, Petal 1, Alcorn Central 1, Neshoba County 1, Pearl 1, Wingfield 1, and East Side with one point.

losing in the quarter-finals to Powell/Hutchinson of Cleveland 7-6, 3-6, 6-3.

The OLA girls doubles team of Christine Bratton/Rachel Cranford defeated Dunbar/Coleman of Florence 6-1, 6-1. In their quarter-final match with Hughes/Sharpe of Laurel, the OLA team claimed a 6-3, 6-2 victory.

The team of Garrett/Bender from Aberdeen defeated Bratton/Cranford 6-3, 6-4 in the semi-finals. The team from Aberdeen eventually won the girls doubles state title.

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Artigues leads BPCC to #6 national ranking

The Bossier Parish Community College baseball team, currently ranked #6 in the nation, is enjoying great success under Bay St. Louis native and 1987 St. Stanislaus graduate Jay Artigues.

Recently, the BPCC team made a trip to Meridian, Mississippi, and took two of three games from Meridian.

BPCC dropped the first game by a 2-1 margin. However, in the second game BPCC came back to win 6-5. BPCC won the rubber game on Sunday 9-3.

With the two wins, BPCC ran its record to 41-11 which ties a school record for wins in a season that was set last year. Artigues agrees that his team is coming together down the stretch. He stated, "Early in the season, we played a tough

schedule. Our sophomores are stepping up their level of play and becoming consistent leaders on our team. We have some freshmen playing key roles for us this season."

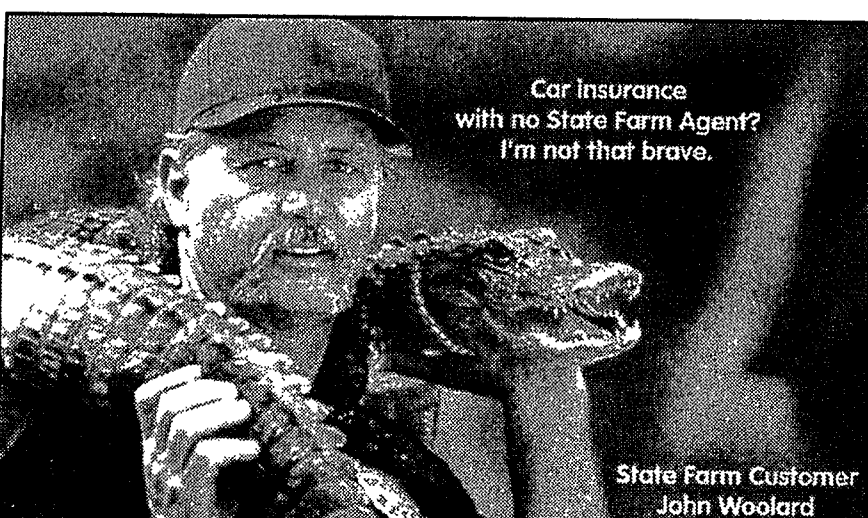
With the 41 wins so far this season and the 41 from last year, the sophomores on the team have been a part of 82 wins.

The series win over Meridian gives BPCC a berth in the Region XXIII tournament in Meridian starting on May 10.

Artigues prepped at St. Stanislaus where he played basketball and baseball. From there, he went to Pearl River Community College where he set a team record for batting with an average of .416.

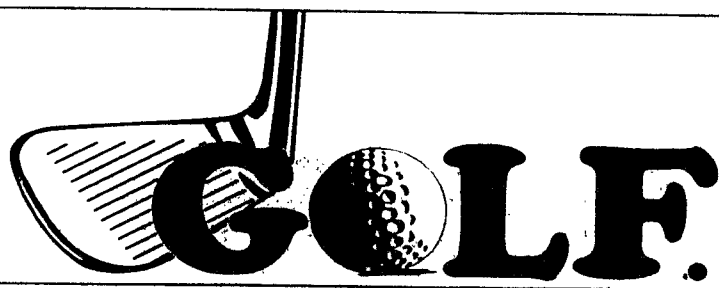
He finished his playing career at Belhaven College in Jackson. Prior to taking the job at BPCC, Artigues was an assistant at the University of New Orleans.

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D'head WGAN results

By Clare Chauffe
Winners for the following Diamondhead Nines golf events are:

April 3, Trophy Day

1st Flight: Maureen Holt-Low Gross, Marge Dieball-Low Net, Celeste Klein-Low Putts
2nd Flight: Bobbie Sorgenfrei-Low Gross, Betty Kreiger and Wanda Newman-Low Net, Ellen Nutting-Low Putts
3rd Flight: Jerri Guidroz-Low Gross, Virginia Schmitt-Low Net, Audrey Dean-Low Putts

Chip-in Birdie: Carrie Perkins, Chip-in: Gayle Noto

April 10, Odd Holes

1st Flight: 1st Jeanette Sullivan, 2nd Emmy Swink, 3rd Rosemary Garrison
2nd Flight: 1st Kay Horn, 2nd Shirley Cameron, 3rd Sally Lindsey
3rd Flight: 1st Mary Postier, 2nd Jerri Guidroz, 3rd Flo

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Chip-in Birdie: Charlene Smuck, Chip-in: Sue Campbell

April 17, Throw Out

1st Flight: 1st Jeanette Sullivan, 2nd Clare Chauffe, 3rd Emmy Swink
2nd Flight: 1st Bobbie Sorgenfrei, 2nd Audrey Dean, 3rd Betty Kreiger
3rd Flight: 1st Shirley Smith, 2nd Virginia Schmitt, 3rd Pat Heyd

Chip-in Birdie: Pat Heyd, Chip-in: Diana Johnson and Jeanette Sullivan, Birdie: Bobbie Sorgenfrei

April 24, Scotch Doubles-18 Holes

Low Gross: 1st E.J. and Ed Smith, 2nd Dot Hoskins and Al Graham, 3rd Bettiesue Hendrix and Bill Eroe
Low Net: 1st Shirley and Jack Cameron, 2nd Jerry and Chuck Ingraham, 3rd Shirley and Wally Smith

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The local organizing committee, led by Tournament Chair Teri Eaton, has been hard at work since January to insure that this remains one of the Mississippi Gulf Coast's finest golfing events.

All proceeds from the tournament benefit the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. Cystic Fibrosis (CF) is a genetic disease that

affects the lungs and digestive systems of those afflicted with the disease.

The State Farm Gulf Coast Agents/Archie Manning Cystic Fibrosis Golf Classic has raised nearly \$500,000 toward CF research.

Adding to the festivities will be a sponsor party on Thursday, May 10 at the President's Vegas Show Room and an awards party at the course immediately after the tournament.

For information, contact Alan Frey at the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation at 1-800-257-4166.

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BUSINESS NEWS

NASA contracts awarded

NASA has selected 27 research proposals for Phase 2 contract awards as part of its Small Business Innovation Research Program (SBIR). The combined total of the awards is expected to be more than \$16 million.

These awards are in addition to the initial 110 selected for the SBIR 1999 Program on Sept. 6, 2000. Phase 2 continues development of the most promising Phase 1 projects. Selection criteria include technical merit and innovation, Phase 1 results, value to NASA, commercial potential and company capabilities.

The goals of the SBIR are to stimulate technological innovation, increase the use of small business including women-owned and disadvantaged firms in meeting federal research and development needs, and increase private sector commercialization of federally funded research.

Stennis Space Center in south Mississippi received two of the 27 proposals submitted by small, high technology businesses from across the country.

The selected firms will be awarded fixed-price contracts valued up to \$600,000 each for a 2-year performance period. Firms to negotiate projects with Stennis include Intelligent Optical Systems, Inc., Torrance, Calif., Multipoint Fiber Optic Sensor for Cryogenic Fuel Leak Detection, and Genex Technologies, Inc., Kensington, Md., A Novel Volumetric 3D Display for Satellite Data Visualization.

For more information, visit Stennis Space Center's Technology Transfer Office Web site at http://technology.ssc.nasa.gov/act_sbi_research_program.html.



Donlin



Barnes



Kariker



Howard

Credit union employees honored

Keesler Federal Credit Union honored employees for their loyalty and year's of service to the credit union at its annual membership meeting.

Awarded for five years of service were Renee Busha, Human Resources administrator, Donna Disalvo, Card Security specialist, Donna George, Resolution Lender, Cheryl Mount, Financial Services representative, Shannon Roux, Financial Services representative, Peter Sekul, assistant vice president, Lending; Melodye Walk, Member Service representative, Marianne Weaver, teller, Bay St. Louis; Kathleen Williams, Financial Services representative, and Laura Wilson, ATM balancing specialist.

Congratulated for 10 years of service were Rebecca Heller, administrative assistant, Loans; Anne James, manager, Mortgage Loans; Debbie Ketzler, loan officer; Sonya Lizana, Senior Member Services representative; Vonda Martin, Member Insurance Claims officer; Kitty Parker, Member Service representative and Sonya Pylate, Credit Card loan officer.

Commended for 15 years of service were Pamela Burley, assistant branch manager, Pascagoula; Sondra Daughdrill, manager, Credit Cards; Debra Harris, branch manager, Ocean Springs; Tammy Scott, branch manager, Long Beach; and Richard Tolar, vice president,

Accounting.

Recognized for 20 years of service, Dorothy Barnes, decision maker, Centralized Lending; and Wayne Page, executive vice president.

Honored for 25 years of service, Scotty Broome, president and CEO; Tammy Howard, executive assistant; and Maenell Kariker, branch manager for the Bay St. Louis branch.

Mary Donlin, vice president of Information Technology is the first Keesler Federal Credit Union employee to achieve 35 years of loyal service to the credit union.

In 1966, Donlin began as a key punch operator with the credit union. In 1970, she was promoted to Data Processing manager and has been responsible for the daily operations of the credit union's computer system since that time.

In recognition of her accomplishment, Donlin was presented a gold watch adorned with the Keesler Federal Credit Union logo.

Keesler Federal Credit Union is the largest credit union in Mississippi and serves 148,000 members worldwide with total assets in excess of \$600 million.

The credit union has ten branches along the Mississippi Gulf Coast and three branches on Royal Air Force Bases in the United Kingdom. For information, call 228-385-5500 or visit website www.kfcu.org.

Mississippi Recycling Coalition announces recycling seminar

The Mississippi Recycling Coalition will be conducting a Recycling and Solid Waste Reduction Seminar June 21 in Biloxi at the Eldon Bolton Office Building.

The seminar sessions will include illegal dumping and litter prevention, recycling collection and processing issues, establishing curbside and drop-off recycling programs, marketing collected materials, grants for recycling and illegal dump-

ing programs, and recycling promotion and education.

The registration fee, which includes breakfast, is \$15 for MRC members, \$60 for non-members and \$20 for students and seniors.

Advance registration is required and can be made by calling the MRC at 800/545-3764.

Hughes joins local realtors

Geri Hughes, a top producing real estate agent, recently joined Litter & Blum's Bay St. Louis office.

Hughes has been a realtor since 1977. She specializes in beach and waterfront properties. She is a member of the National Association of Realtors and the Mississippi Gulf Association of Realtors.



FINANCIAL FOCUS

Submitted by
Craig Foster
Edward Jones Co.

Remarrying? Protect your interests

If you've gone through a divorce or your spouse has died, and you're considering remarriage, you'll have a lot of emotions to contend with.

But you'll also have to approach your financial plans with a cool head - especially if you want to protect the interests of your children.

To begin with, maintain clear communications with your soon-to-be spouse. Let him or her know, right up front, that you want your children to get the proper share of your assets when you die. Then, take the appropriate steps.

Start by reviewing all the beneficiary designations on your investment contracts, IRAs, 401(k), life insurance policies and other financial documents.

If you want your children to have access to these funds, make sure they are named on the document, either as a primary or a secondary beneficiary, depending on your preference.

It's essential to get the right beneficiaries listed - but it's still not enough to assure that your children get everything you want them to have.

For that to happen, you may want to explore more sophisticated legal arrangements, one of which is called the qualified terminable interest property ("Q-TIP") marital trust.

This type of trust can give your surviving spouse access to your assets while he or she is alive. The trust is "terminable" because your spouse's claims to the property will end upon his or her death.

Once your spouse dies, the trust's remaining assets will be distributed according to your directions, so your children can now get the money.

Your surviving spouse gets all the income from the Q-TIP marital trust, and may receive principal as well. To ensure a steady income stream, you may want to fund your trust with dividend-paying stocks and fixed-income investments -

such as bonds - that make regular interest payments.

A Q-TIP marital trust offers other advantages. For example, assets inside the trust can't go to anyone else while your surviving spouse is alive.

Plus, your spouse cannot change the beneficiary; if you've indicated that you want your children to be the ultimate recipients of your assets, your wishes must be followed.

However, your spouse will have broad access to the funds inside the trust, so he or she could conceivably spend most of the money.

To protect your children's interest, you may want to name someone other than your spouse as a trustee. This person could strive to maintain a good balance in your trust, so that your surviving spouse has the money he or she needs to enjoy life and your children can still receive the inheritance you intended.

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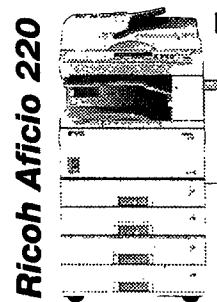
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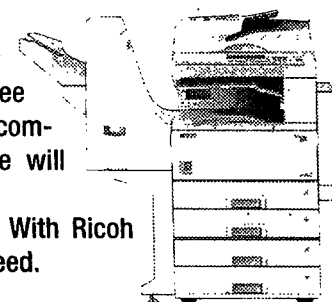
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Spring: There's a fungus among us

THE PACE FILES

BY STAN PACE
County Extension Officer
Spring has arrived, and one of our most troublesome turf diseases will also soon become evident as the lawns begin to green.

The fungus *Phizoctonia solani*, commonly known as Brown Patch, can attack all of our warm season turf species, but is most prevalent on St. Augustinegrass and centipede during the spring and fall.

High moisture and temperatures of 65-75 degrees are ideal for this disease to become active. There are several factors that tend to make our lawns susceptible to brown patch attack.

Excessive nitrogen fertilizer promotes lush vegetative growth, which will enhance the disease. Watering late in the day and keeping the turf wet overnight is an invitation for attack as well.

Heavy buildup of thatch will also keep the moisture levels high and provide the ideal environment for disease development.

Therefore, if your lawn has had a history of brown patch: fertilize judiciously, water early in the day, mow regularly with a sharp blade to keep thatch to a minimum, and consider a preventative fungicide when environmental conditions are optimum for disease development.

It's time for herbs

Once any danger of frost has passed (we never know this year), you can start planting your herb garden.

A few things to think about when planting herbs - most need full sun, all need well-drained soil (herbs DO NOT like wet feet), and provide good air circulation.

Herbs can be used for cooking, fragrance, landscaping, medicinal purposes (if you are taking other medications, contact your doctor before using herbs or herbal supplements), and for crafts and decoration.

Some good herbs for Mississippi gardens include: mint, basil, nasturtium, catnip, chives, dill, garlic, thyme, parsley, and sage. Rosemary will

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AMERICORPS



One of the projects for Hope Haven was a beautiful mural. Morris White, Holly Ratkewi, Michael Locke, Kerry Lambert, Tara Holtgrewe, Nick Click, and Jason Stephens show off their handwork.

Students from other states spicing up our communities one more time

**BY BENNIE
SHALLBETTER**
Staff Writer

For the third time this year, an AmeriCorps team has come to our area to lend a helping hand on projects in the county. Just like the two teams before them, this group of young people is an enthusiastic and positive addition to our community for the short time the students are here.

Like the first team last summer, the ten young people, ranging from 18 to 24, are calling Gulfside Assembly home for their five-week stay. Team two, which visited last fall, was hosted by St. Clare Church.

AmeriCorps is the domestic version of the Peace Corps, a way to give back to the community at large for most who enroll, though that may be a lesson that is learned along the way. For some, AmeriCorps



Michael Tamayo, Emily Schneider-Kryzs, and Simon Garon finish up a 70-ft. circular corral that the team built at Galts to Success in Kiln earlier this week.

team members, it is a productive way to spend time while they try to figure out exactly what they would like to do

with their lives. And for some, AmeriCorps is an experience that changes the direction of their lives as they learn new

skills and experience life from a whole new perspective. But it is always a learning experience for the young people who give most of a year of their time to volunteer, and for the people they encounter along the way.

The ten shared some of their new perspectives this past week.

"I never knew that there were so many people who were so dedicated to helping others and I never realized just how lucky I am... this year has driven that home for me," said Emily Schneider-Kryzs. "I also learned that I love teaching, that it is something I could give my life to."

"I have learned what team work really means, between our team members and in communities," said Michael Tamayo. "It's the people I have met that

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The lay of the Bonhomme Richard

(Editors Note: This and the Sunday columns that follow maintain the theme of the books, Views From a Front Porch, and Waiting for the White Pelicans, by Paul Estronza La Violette published by Annabelle Publishing and available locally at Bookends Bookstore, 111 Hwy. 90, Bay St. Louis.)

Stennis Space Center is just 23 minutes from my house in Waveland. I know the exact amount because I've traveled it for 15 years

before retiring from the government to form my own company.

Stein is actually a complex of a number of different government agencies situated on a huge reserve that had originally

been set aside to protect the surrounding communities from the blast of the large rocket engines that were being tested.

It contains a sizable Navy research contingent that I had worked for as a civilian scientist. I have many friends out there, and so I wasn't surprised to get a call from a very close friend who informed me that he was retiring after 35 years working for the Navy.

I went out the familiar route that I had driven for many years to help him pack his things in the back of my pickup. As we got started, people began stopping by to say good-bye and reminisce about old times. Since I was a part of many of those old times, I helped him feed the fire of "remember when?"

Sometimes the stories were

long, sometimes short, sometimes seemingly trivial, sometimes involved, and many, looking back from the perspective we sometimes arrive at only through cuts and bruises, hilariously ridiculous. None were mundane.

Finally we stopped and went to get lunch at the cafeteria, where of course, the well-wishers continued to stop by and the stories and laughter continued.

As we sat, the cafeteria emptied except for the few of us old-timers sitting around a table loaded with empty dishes and our talking.

Now the stories ended up many times with frustrations about the system, the suffocating bureaucracy under which the Navy all too often operated. Many of the complaints

focused on the fact that it seemed that a person's best efforts resulted in nothing being done, and a feeling of having made no real accomplishment.

"Why is it like that?" someone asked. "We try so damn hard and nothing seems to happen." No one seemed to know.

With this somber statement, the group started to break up. As my friend rose to go, he vented his feeling with a parting remark, "You know, I loved my work. Things were sometimes good, very good. And sometimes they were bad. But when things were good, I would have paid them to let me do what I was doing."

"What was really frustrating was that all too often no one seems to care. I think that was what hurt more than anything."

Views From a
Front Porch

by Paul Estronza La Violette
laviolette@mail.datasync.com

We went back to his office and the two of us continued packing in silence. Finally most of the things were boxed and we started to place them on the pushcart to take them to my pickup parked downstairs by the building entrance.

As I moved a large box that had been holding open the office door, the door swung shut. In doing so, it revealed a large poster that we had missed taking down. I started to unpin it to roll it up with the other posters he had had on the wall. As I did so I was struck by its subject.

It was a lithograph of the Bonhomme Richard, John Paul

Jones' ship that, in a glorious naval engagement, fought the British ship Serapis to a standstill in a major naval battle of the Revolutionary War. I noticed that it was positioned so that my friend could see it from his desk when the door was closed.

The drawing showed the ship in exquisitely minute detail. I was very familiar with the ship, having studied it for some work I had done years ago. The artist had done a very good job in displaying the ship's working structure.

He had further animated the

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What's for Lunch?

May 7-11

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LUNCH
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Wednesday: Cheese Toast, Juice
Thursday: Chicken Pattie Biscuit, Juice
Friday: Egg Biscuit, Juice
LUNCH
Monday: Lasagna, Foot-long Hot Dog, Parslied Potatoes, Green Peas, Raw Veggies, Peach Slices, Fruit Juice, Garlic Rolls, Pudding
Tuesday: Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Cheeseburger, Chef Salad, French Fries, Cheesy Broccoli, Whole Kernel Corn, Chilled Peaches, Fruit Juice, Garlic Bread, Crackers, Oatmeal-Raisin Cookie
Wednesday: Chicken Nuggets, Salisbury Steak, Creamed Potatoes, Seasoned Green Beans, Tossed Salad, Applesauce, Fruit Juice, Hot Rolls, Fruit Crisp
Thursday: Fried Chicken, Hamburger, Chef Salad, Cheesy Mashed Potatoes, Southern Greens, Tossed Salad, Fruit cocktail, Fruit Juice, Garlic Rolls, Crackers, Gelatin
Friday: Chicken Spaghetti, Cheese Pizza, Spicy Fries, Broccoli Salad, Tossed Salad, Fruit cocktail, Fruit Juice, Garlic Rolls, Devil's Food Cake
Hancock High
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Served daily:
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LUNCH
Monday: Lasagna, Hamburger, Foot-long Hot Dog, Parslied Potatoes, Green Peas, Raw Veggies, Peach Slices, Fruit Juice, Garlic Rolls, Pudding
Tuesday: Chicken Nuggets, Pizza, Chef Salad, French Fries, Cheesy Broccoli, Tossed Salad, Chilled Peas, Fruit Juice, Garlic Bread, Crackers, Gelatin
Wednesday: Chicken Spaghetti, Turkey Club, Chef Salad, Tater Tots, Whole Kernel Corn, Tossed Salad, Applesauce, Fruit Juice, Yeast Rolls, Crackers, Fruit Crisp
Thursday: Fried Chicken, Hamburger, Chef Salad, Cheesy Mashed Potatoes, Southern Greens, Tossed Salad, Cinnamon Apples, Fruit Juice, Yeast Roll, Crackers, Oatmeal-Raisin Cookie
Friday: Fish Nuggets, Pizza, Chicken Sandwich, Spicy Fries, Broccoli Salad, Tossed Salad, Fruit Cocktail, Fruit Juice, Yeast Roll, Pudding
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Births

ROCKY PEYTON SPIERS
 Rocky and Madelyn Spiers of Carriere announce the birth of a son, Rocky Peyton, March 29, 2001 at 3:08 p.m. at Slidell Memorial Hospital.

He weighed 7 pounds, 3 ounces.

Mrs. Spiers is the former Madelyn Seal.

Maternal grandparents are Madelyn Petrick of Bay St. Louis and Chuck Seal of Kiln.

Paternal grandparents are Buddy and Sylvia Spiers of Carriere and Dinky Taylor of Carriere.

Great-grandparents include Madelyn Frosch of Bay St. Louis, Jana Seal of Picayune; and great-great-grandfather is Eddie Carr of Bay St. Louis.

Rocky Peyton is welcomed by brothers Andrew, Blake and Jacob and sisters Alexis and Alivia.

MADISON ANN BRADLEY

Bill and Hope Bradley of Pass Christian announce the birth of their second child, Madison Ann, April 16, 2001 at 4:47 a.m. at Garden Park Hospital.

She weighed 8 pounds, 6 ounces.

Mrs. Bradley is the former Hope Lynn Yarborough.

Maternal grandparents are Walter and Cheryl Yarborough of D'Iberville.

Paternal grandparents are Jimmy and Dian Bradley of Pass Christian.

Great-grandparents include Ernestine Bradley and Lois Yarborough.

Madison Ann is welcomed by her brother, Brennan James.

CHASE RYLAN DEDEAUX

Craig and Misty Dedeaux of Gulfport announce the birth of their first child, Chase Rylan, April 7, 2001 at 7:26 p.m. at Memorial Hospital at Gulfport.

He weighed 5 pounds, 15 ounces.

Local student wins poster contest

Sydney Chevis, a sixth grader at Bay-Waveland Middle School, recently won third place in a statewide poster and essay contest sponsored by The Partnership for a Healthy Mississippi. Sydney's winning poster was selected out of more than 700 entries.

The contest, entitled "Warning!" was open to students across the state in grades six through nine. Designed to heighten awareness about the dangers of tobacco use while fostering creative design and writing skills, the contest required one of the following topics:

Essay topics

- You are allowed to travel into the future, what would you say to future generations about the use of tobacco products?
- For one day you are granted the power to stop anyone from smoking or using tobacco with the touch of your finger. Who would you help and why? How would you most effectively use this gift?

Poster topic:

- Design your own Tobacco "Warning!" sign and describe how this new sign design will be used to make people think twice about using tobacco.

Winning entries were selected by a team of representatives from The Partnership, Maris West & Baker ad agency, and Mindbender New Media. Winners and their schools received cash prizes from The Partnership.

The Partnership for a Healthy Mississippi is a private, non-profit organization comprised of more than 60 statewide governmental and non-governmental agencies and more, than 700 local groups. The Partnership promotes healthy lifestyle choices for youth through comprehensive tobacco education and prevention programs.

Local partnership is PATH - Partners Against Tobacco in Hancock County.

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Mrs. Dedeaux if the former Misty Calote.

Maternal grandparents are Eddie and Barbara Calote of Brookhaven, Miss.

Paternal grandparents are Roger and Shelley Dedeaux of Bay St. Louis.

Great-grandparents include David and Dorothy Calote of Brookhaven, Sarah Linton of Terry, Miss. and the late W. D. Linton, Geneva Dedeaux of Bay St. Louis and the late Clois Dedeaux, and Joan Lemmler of Baton Rouge and the late Philip Lemmler.

HAYDEN NICOLE WINCHESTER

Bobby and Becky Winchester announce the birth of their second child, Hayden Nicole, March 27, 2001 at 2:45 p.m. at NorthShore Regional Medical Center in Slidell.

She weighed 9 pounds, 5 ounces.

Mrs. Winchester is the former Becky Power.

Maternal grandparents are Bill and Janet Power of Waveland and Reg and Margie Morken of Diamondhead.

Paternal grandparents are Carey and Patsy Hadaway of Gulfport and the late Gerald Winchester.

Hayden is welcomed by her sister, Hannah Elizabeth.

JOHN ALLEN DUFRENE, III

Mr. and Mrs. John Dufrene of Pass Christian announce the birth of their first child, John Allen, III, March 31, 2001 at

3:59 p.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.

He weighed 5 pounds, 10 ounces.

Mrs. Dufrene is the former Lisa Diliberto.

Maternal grandparents are Mrs. Linda Diliberto of New Orleans and Juan Diliberto of Opelousas.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Chris Bassil of Bay St. Louis and John Dufrene of New Orleans.

Great-grandparents include Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Diliberto of Bay St. Louis, Allen Dufrene of Marrero and Martha Aucoin of Westwego.

CARSTON ALAN RAYMOND

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan P. Raymond of Bay St. Louis announce the birth of their second child, Carston Alan Raymond, February 19, 2001 at 9:18 a.m. at Hancock Medical Center in Bay St. Louis.

He weighed 7 pounds, 6 ounces.

Mrs. Raymond is the former Tammy Ellis.

Maternal grandparents are Raymond and Patsy Ellis of Bay St. Louis.

Paternal grandparents are Joyce Raymond and the late Charles F. Raymond of Bay St. Louis.

Great-grandparents include the late Mr. and Mrs. Frank T. Ellis, Mrs. Sylvia Patton and the late Robert Patton of Bay St. Louis.

Carston is welcomed by brother Bryan.

Wildlife rehabilitation classes offered in P.C.

Have you ever wanted to help and injured or orphaned wild animal? Katy Pope, director of the Wildlife Rehabilitation and Nature Preservation Society (WRANPS), will teach a beginner's course in wildlife rehabilitation.

The class will be open to the general public as well as wildlife rehabilitators and veterinarians who wish to further their understanding of wildlife rehab.

The course will include the role of wildlife rehabilitation in our community, regulations and ethics, safety and diseases, natural history, human impacts on wildlife in our community and in captivity, animal hotline question and answer, wildlife rescue, and "one-on-one" training with our species experts.

The classes will be from 2 to

3:30 p.m. on the Saturdays of May 19 and 26 and June 2 and 9 at the WRANPS clinic in Pass Christian.

The costs are \$25 for WRANPS members, and \$50 for the general public. The \$50 includes a year's membership to WRANPS.

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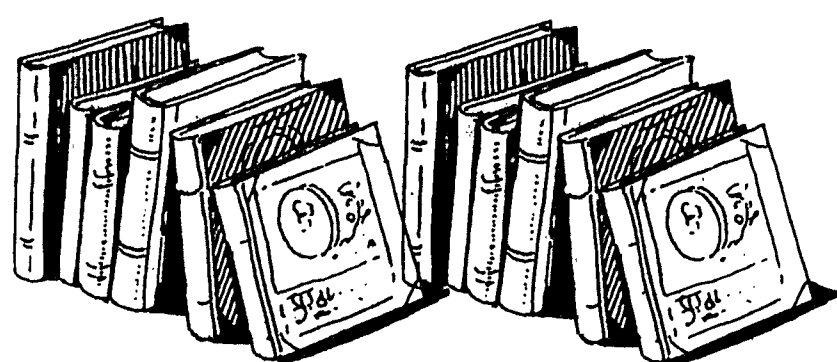
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The library system has four branches: Bay St. Louis-Hancock County, Kiln Public, Pearllington Public and Waveland Library and Literacy Center.

FICTION

1 **A COMMON LIFE**, by Jan Karon. (Viking, \$24.95.) Celebrating the wedding of Father Tim Kavanagh and Cynthia Coppersmith; the sixth book in the "Mitford Years" series.

2 **DREAMCATCHER**, by Stephen King. (Scribner, \$28.) In the woods of Maine, four hunters who have been friends since boyhood encounter a disoriented stranger and a dangerous creature from another world.

3 **LONE EAGLE**, by Danielle Steel. (Delacorte, \$26.95.) A woman is reunited with the love of her life, a legendary aviator who was Charles Lindbergh's protégé.

4 **1ST TO DIE**, by James Patterson. (Little, Brown, \$26.95.) Four women - a homicide inspector, a medical examiner, an assistant district attorney and a journalist - search for a killer who is stalking newswires.

5 **A PAINTED HOUSE**, by John Grisham. (Doubleday, \$27.95.) The experiences of a 7-year-old boy whose parents live and work in the cotton fields of Arkansas.

6 **THE VILLA**, by Nora Roberts. (Putnam, \$25.95.) A successful businesswoman is torn between her professional rivalry with a vintner and her strong attraction to him.

7 **DEATH IN HOLY ORDERS**, by P. D. James. (Knopf, \$25.) Cmdr. Adam Dalgliesh investigates the death of a powerful businessman's son at a small theological college in England.

8 **SCARLET FEATHER**, by Maeve Binchy. (Dutton, \$25.95.) Tom Feather and Cathy Scarlet, friends from cooking school, start a catering company in Dublin.

9 **THE BONESETTER'S DAUGHTER**, by Amy Tan. (Putnam, \$25.95.) A Chinese-American woman in San Francisco struggles to understand her family and herself.

10 **THE SKIES OF PERN**,

by Anne McCaffrey. (Del Rey/Ballantine, \$25.) A brand-new danger threatens the beautiful world of Pern; the 13th book in a fantasy series.

NONFICTION

1 **SEABISCUIT**, by Laura Hillenbrand. (Random House, \$24.95.) A biography of the great horse whose career culminated in a 1938 match race with the Triple Crown winner War Admiral.

2 **AMERICAN TERRORIST**, by Lou Michel and Dan Herbeck. (ReganBooks/HarperCollins, \$26.) Two reporters examine the Oklahoma City bombing and the life of Timothy McVeigh.

3 **ABSOLUTE POWER**, by David Limbaugh. (Regnery, \$27.95.) A lawyer's critical evaluation of the Clinton-Reno Justice Department.

4 **IN HARM'S WAY**, by Doug Stanton. (Holt, \$25.) The sinking of the cruiser Indianapolis in World War II and the story of its survivors.

5 **TUESDAYS WITH MORRIE**, by Mitch Albom. (Doubleday, \$19.95.) The author, a sportswriter, tells of his weekly visits to his old college mentor, who was near death's door.

6 **WALKING THE BIBLE**, by Bruce Feiler. (Morrow, \$26.) A 10,000-mile journey retracing the story told in the Pentateuch.

7 **FAST FOOD NATION**, by Eric Schlosser. (Houghton Mifflin, \$25.) From California subdivisions to the New Jersey Turnpike: a survey of "the dark side of the all-American meal."

8 **THE O'REILLY FACTOR**, by Bill O'Reilly. (Broadway, \$23.) The host of a cable news program offers opinions on what's right with America and what's wrong with it.

9 **ICE BOUND**, by Jerri Nielsen with Maryanne Vollers. (Talk Miramax/Hyperion, \$23.95.) A memoir by the doctor who was at the South Pole when she discovered that she had breast cancer.

10 **AN HOUR BEFORE DAYLIGHT**, by Jimmy Carter. (Simon & Schuster, \$26.) The former president recalls his Depression-era childhood on a Georgia farm.

Red drum season closes May 9

Commercial fishing season for red drum (*Sciaenops ocellatus*) closes in Mississippi territorial waters Wednesday, May 9 at 6 a.m.

The season will remain closed until Oct. 1 at 12:01 a.m. The closing of commercial

Mother's Day, turtles highlight story hours

"Patchwork Turtles" will be the theme for the children's story hour at the Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library set for Wednesday, May 9, at 10:30 a.m.

The Hare and the Tortoise, *Hurry Up Franklin* and *Turtle on a Summer's Day* are the books to be read during the program. Susan Daigre, program coordinator, will assist the children in making patchwork turtles.

"Mother's Day" will be the theme for the children's story hour at the Kiln Public Library on Thursday, May 10, at 10:30 a.m.

Happy, Happy Mother's Day, *A Present to Mama Bear* and *On Mother's Lap* are the books

to be featured during the program. The children will also make a "On Mother's Lap" craft.

Weekly story hours are held September through May. Programs last approximately one half hour, depending upon subject matter and planned activity.

Programs and activities are designed for pre-school age children three to five years old who are not part of a nursery or pre-school group.

For individual branch story hour information, contact Adrienne Bradley, Bay St. Louis-Hancock County Library, 467-5282; or Sandra Ladner, Kiln Public Library, 255-1724.

St. Paul Seafood Fest set June 1-3

St. Paul Catholic School and Parish will be holding their 25th annual St. Paul Seafood Festival on June 1-3 on the grounds of St. Paul Catholic Church, 151 East Scenic Drive in Pass Christian.

There will be a selection of seafood and other food items available. There will be kids games, rides, a white elephant sale, a silent auction and an antique car show.

The bandstand will be featuring Keith Hoda at 8 p.m. on Friday, Dr. Rock and the

Interns at 8 p.m. on Saturday, and The Beach Brothers at 5 p.m. on Sunday.

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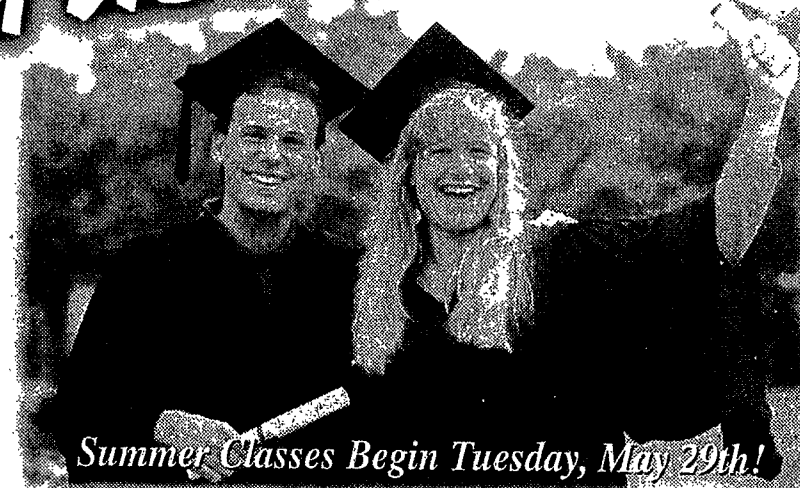
Bobby was the week's best loser with 3 3/4 pounds. Sherrie was top KOPS. Chapter members wish Jean a safe move and Ann a safe trip home.

The chapter meets every Wednesday at the Waveland Public Library. Weigh-ins are 4:30-5:15 p.m. with the meeting following.

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Campers will learn boating safety, fire safety, first aid, bicycle safety and animal care. Tours of county offices in and around the courthouse, crafts, K-9 demonstrations and other exciting experiences will be conducted.

Transportation arrangements will be made for youths living outside the city limits. Lunch, snacks and t-shirts will be provided to participating youths. Only 100 campers can be accepted. Applications will be available at county and city schools and must be returned by May 25.

If more than 100 youths apply, selection will be made by random drawing on May 29. Those selected will be notified and sent a package of information that must be returned for registration.

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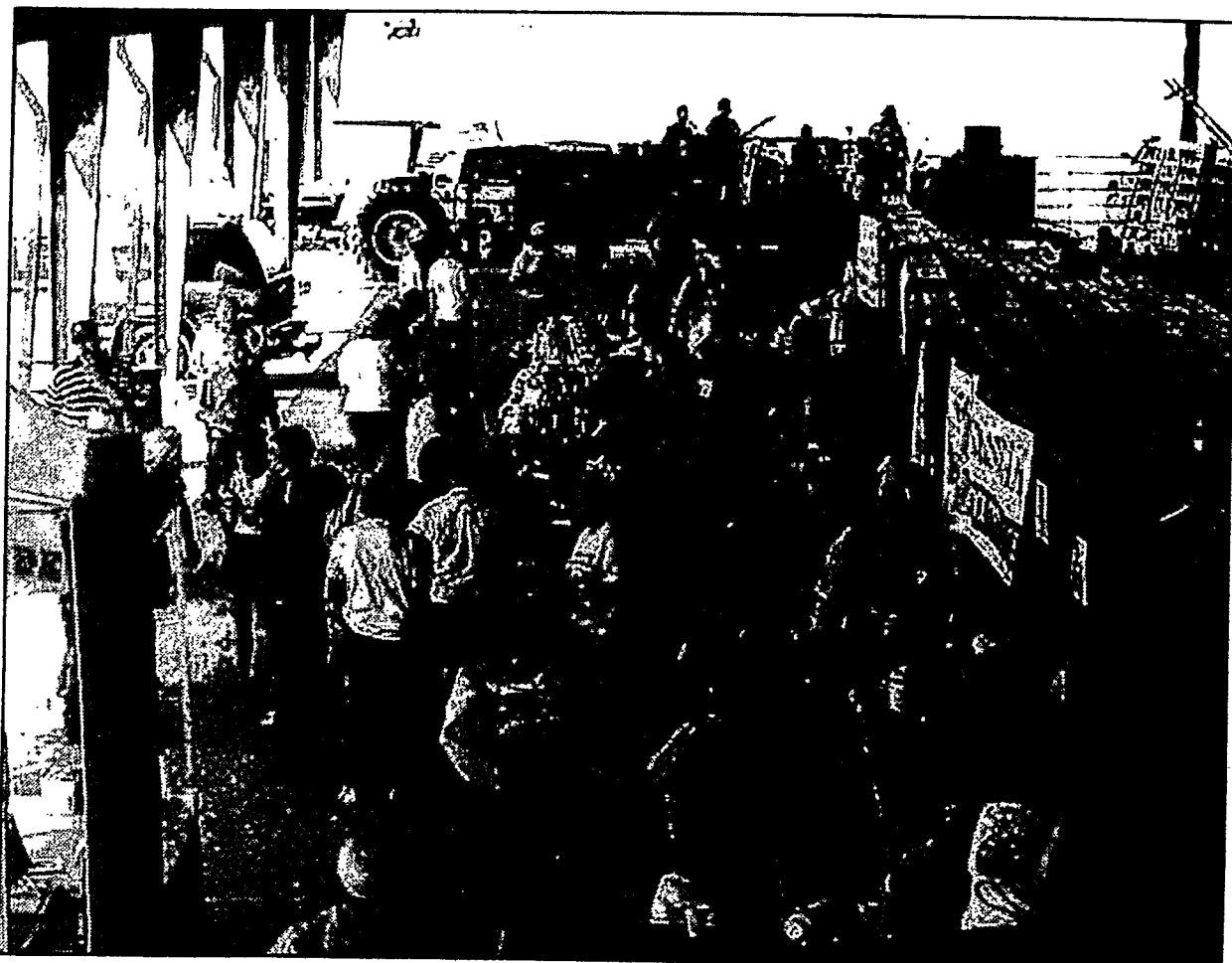
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'That's good chili!'



A huge crowd turned out last week for Hancock County's 2nd annual Professional Cowboy's Association Rodeo and Chili Cook-off, sponsored by the Board of Supervisors. Taking first place was: Jackie O's, Diamondhead; second was Paradise Bay Casino; and third was The Broke Spoke.

Views -- Richard

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drawing with a busy crew engaged in the normal activities of a working naval vessel. Men wrapped sails about a spar of one of the masts, near the bow an officer pointed to something with another officer. Some men holystoned the deck, others mended sails, marines marched.

The artist had shown extremely well all the myriad details of an active working ship. Only this wasn't just any ship, this was a fledgling vessel of what was to become one of the mightiest navies of the world. As such it epitomized an

ideal, an ethereal standard for us latter mariners to gauge our accomplishments.

"The picture was given to me 20 years ago," my friend said walking over and looking at it. "It has helped me keep things in perspective during a lot of difficult times."

I made what I thought was an appropriate response and he burst out laughing. "No! No! I didn't mean it that way! Look at the ship! Look at it more closely."

I examined the drawing more carefully. The ship seemed to be in fine shape. I

couldn't see anything wrong. My friend, watching me, laughed again, "There's no helm!"

I looked again. He was right! There was no helm. There should have been two helms, a storm helm and a normal helm. They were not there. The artist, while showing in exquisite detail the life of the ship, had neglected to put in one of its most basic requirements. He had omitted both a helmsman and a wheel for the helmsman to use to control the rudder.

There was no one steering the ship!

Fungus -- Pace Files

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grow best in a pot or in an area with WELL-DRAINED soil.

For more information on herbs see MSU Information Sheet 1562 "Easy-to-Grow Herbs for the Landscape."

Water is the key to good vegetable production. Now water has to be considered in two ways. Much of north Mississippi is wet and much of south Mississippi is dry.

Transplanting tomatoes, peppers, and vine crops into dry soil is like throwing money into a slot machine; the payoff may be there, but the odds are

against you.

Make sure the soil is very WET when you transplant. Adding water when you plant either through adding a dipper of water to the plant hole or by irrigating IMMEDIATELY after planting can do this.

Those fortunate to have drip irrigation can turn on the system a few hours before transplanting and place the plants into wet soil while standing or kneeling on dry soil. On the other hand, the wet soil at planting must be allowed to drain.

North Mississippians may want to wait until the soil between the rows is firm enough to support them before attempting to put out any plants.

New transplants need very wet soils, but the new roots will need air in moist soils after the first day.

If you have questions regarding your home lawn or garden, please call the Master Gardener Hotline at 1-866 Garden 8.

Wildlife rehabilitation classes offered in May, June

Have you ever wanted to help and injured or orphaned wild animal? Katy Pope, director of the Wildlife Rehabilitation and Nature Preservation Society (WRANPS), will teach a beginner's course in wildlife rehabilitation.

The class will be open to the general public as well as wildlife rehabilitators and veterinarians who wish to further their understanding of wildlife rehab.

The course will include the role of wildlife rehabilitation in our community, regulations and ethics, safety and diseases, nat-

ural history, human impacts on wildlife in our community and in captivity, animal hotline question and answer, wildlife rescue, and "one-on-one" training with our species experts.

The classes will be from 2 to 3:30 p.m. on the Saturdays of May 19 and 26 and June 2 and 9 at the WRANPS clinic in Pass Christian. The costs are \$25 for WRANPS members, and \$50 for the general public. The \$50 includes a year's membership to WRANPS. For more information, call (228) 452-WILD (9453). To learn more about WRANPS visit web site www.wranps.org.

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Corps -- kids of summer

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made this year special for me ... I've never been around such a diversity of people and it has changed my whole outlook."

"You should never judge a book by its cover, because you can never know what another person has seen or been through by looking at him," said Nick Click. "I met a boy my age, 18, at an inner city high school where we tutored ... he worked all night, to support his baby, and then came to school tired."

"A lot of people out there want to help others, but don't know how to do it," said Kerry Lambert. "But even a little bit is a lot. You may think you're not doing much, but you may be changing someone's life."

"When we worked at Habitat for Humanity in South Carolina we were there when the keys to the house were handed over to the new owner," said Holly Ratkewi. "The woman was crying and thanking us all and I realized that I can't stop caring and volunteering. I see all the problems out there and I can't ever close my

eyes again and pretend that the problems don't exist."

"Where I come from most of the people were either black or white, but during this year I have experienced many other interesting cultures," said Morris White. "I have also learned that sometimes things are not just one way or the other, that the way you see them has a lot to do with it."

"I've had to learn to change and be flexible and just take things as they come, it's amazing how adaptable people can be when they have to be," said Tara Holtgrewe.

"There is always a variety of different views for any issue that comes up," said Jason Stephens. "And tons more ways to look at them."

"I've learned how to live with lots of other people, all of them different, not just at the work place but all the time," said Simeon Garon. "I've learned patience."

"I learned that there are a lot of things I don't know, even though I thought I was an authority on many subjects,"

said Michael Locke. "And that you can learn a lot from other people."

On Thursday, the kids will move on to their next assignment, and on to graduation from the program in early August, but the experience and wisdom they gained this year will be theirs to keep.

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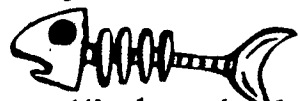
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REFLECTIONS ON LIFE

By Father Jerome LeDoux, SVD



Whose voice do you heed?

If you had to name the most predominating voice in your life, whose would it be? Has this thought ever crossed your mind before? Are you able to identify which or whose voice is the main one you hear and follow?

As innocent as this question sounds, it may lead you into some curious admissions and conclusions. From our very first sounds of "mama" and "dada," whose indelible voice signature and bonding we carry for the rest of our lives, we gradually allow other voices to affect and perhaps rule us.

A so-called "mama's boy" or "daddy's girl" wears a label which indicates that a mother's or father's voice is sometimes the overwhelming force even into late adult years. It is not coincidental that relations such as marriage often fall apart because a partner has not cut the umbilical cord.

Our parents' voice is followed by an imposing assortment of voices which we choose to follow in varying degrees: teachers, counselors, preachers, coaches, writers, lecturers, politicians, entertainers, physicians, psychologists, psychiatrists, consultants and professionals of every kind.

How do you know which/whose voice you are following most? Perhaps the biggest giveaway is that voice in your life which you talk about most. If your speech does not disclose the voice you heed most, your hands, your feet and the rest of you do the talking by the things you do and the places you go.

Some people make frequent mention of a certain teacher, counselor, coach or minister who consistently picked up where mama and papa left off, complementing everything the parents did. Those voices, of course, are part of the extended family which enhances and strengthens the nuclear family.

This tier of voices is by far the most powerful and most desirable. Since they speak in cadence with parents and family, one need have no shame or hesitation in following their knowledge, wisdom and counsel. After these voices, there is a significant drop-off to the next level.

Beyond a doubt, peer voices rank next in power, though often not desirability. In fact, peer voices often rank first in drawing power, and then certainly not in desirability. And, of course, peer voices pertain not just to the very young but to people of every age and condition.

It is very obvious and often annoying that a huge percentage of people of all ages and walks of life follow the voices of their peers in a particular group, clique or gang. Since the members of such a group usually listen to the voice of particular leader, the group's voice is really but one voice.

You are choosing very poorly if you follow such a voice in life, especially since cliques and similar groups have so many ungodly, detestable characteristics. Among other negative things, clique buddies put down family and everyone else when things boil down to making a choice between people.

So, is a clique your voice in life? Or is the lion's share of your conversation entertainers, politicians or writers? If so, you have to ask yourself with great misgivings and hesitation whether these secular, worldly voices are the mainstay of your life, the information and counsel you follow implicitly.

One last reflection on the voice we follow in life concerns one of the most dangerous of all: our own. Predictably, if we follow our own as the prime voice in our life, we will fall victims to all the defects and vices which color and afflict our personality and character.

Include here, as applicable, the clarion voices of addiction to food, drink, sex, pleasure, power, ambition and notoriety. Also include all negative, immoral, shameful habits which destroy both us and our relationships.

While running up a red flag about the possible dangers of relying too much on the wisdom in a human voice, we cannot afford to overlook the awesome powers God has placed within our voice.

Used properly, our voice can be a formidable vehicle of comfort, reassurance, affirmation, affection and joy.

So powerful are the assets and benefits of the human voice that you have likely experienced the thrilling message on your phone recorder or voice mail: "I was feeling down and tried to get you on the phone, but there was no answer. Then I heard your voice on the recording and felt much better."

Yes, God placed true magic in that marvelous instrument which we call a voice. Sweeter than any musical instrument, more powerful than any other tool, the human voice stands alone as our human source of comfort, joy, reassurance, affirmation, encouragement, affection and perseverance.



Holy Infant of Good Health Triduum & Feast Day celebration

On April 21, 1942, the title "Holy Infant of Good Health" (Santo Niño de la Salud), was given to a small wooden image of the Infant Jesus, deriving from the amazing cures and recoveries attributed to it in Morelia, Mexico.

The Archbishop of Morelia approved private devotion to the Holy Infant of Good Health, and later in 1944 the status was crowned and public devotion was approved.

In 1957, the Archbishop of Morelia had the Holy Infant placed in the Church of Our Lady of Mount Carmel until a shrine was built for it. This church was consecrated April 20, 1963.

A copy of the image was delivered to Pope John XXIII on Jan. 5, 1959. Rome has granted a Plenary Indulgence to all Pilgrims to the Holy Infant's Shrine.

April 21 is the Holy Infant's Feast Day, but the last Sunday in April is celebrated as His Feast Day each year in Morelia.

On Feb. 15, 1997, the first chapel in the U.S. was dedicated to the Holy Infant of Good Health at St. Ann Church in Clermont Harbor.

The image of the Holy Infant from the chapel in the U.S. was brought down to Morelia, and on Nov. 10, 1999 this image was blessed by the bishop to become

the pilgrim statue for the U.S. This image is housed in the chapel at St. Ann.

Holy Infant of Good Health Triduum and Feast Day Celebration takes place at St. Ann Church, 5858 Lower Bay Road, Clermont Harbor.

Schedule of events

Wednesday, May 16
1st Day Triduum, "Jesus' Love"
6:30 p.m. Rosary and Confession,
7 p.m. Mass
Sister Carmen Aguilar, speaker
Thursday, May 17
2nd Day Triduum, "Jesus I Trust In You"
6:30 p.m. Rosary and Confession,
7 p.m. Mass
Fr. John Rietti, celebrant
Friday, May 18
3rd Day Triduum, "Healing through Jesus' Mercy"
6:30 p.m. Rosary and Confession,
7 p.m. Healing Mass
"Burning of the Petitions"
Fr. Michael Snyder, celebrant
Saturday, May 19
4:15 p.m. Meditation Rosary
5 p.m. Vigil Mass, "Thanksgiving"
Sunday May 20
2:30 p.m. Procession begins outside St. Ann's. 3 p.m. Mass followed by a "Fiesta." Everyone is invited. Please bring a covered dish if you plan to attend the fiesta.

Pearlington's St. Joseph Catholic Church events

MAY EVENTS

May Crowning: May 13 (Mother's Day) at the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Brooke Lichtenstein will do the crowning.

Confirmation: On May 14, parishioners Sara Wilkinson and Courtney Wilkinson will be confirmed at Our Lady of the Gulf Church.

First Communion: On May 27, Ryan Jordan will make his First Communion.

Catholic Sharing Appeal: Begins May and ends June 30. The parishioners of St. Joseph send prayers and congratulations to Father Dominic Cangemi for his 57 years in the priesthood.

Mass Schedule

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The teachers' checks are dated between the years of 1928 and 1936.

The checks were salvaged instead of destroyed after their state required 10-year retention date and have no monetary value.

"We are hoping that family members, friends or former students will recognize a name and help me reunite the checks with a family member, if they are

interested.

We would also like to identify the local public school where they taught. We will be framing a number of the checks that have historic value to the city," continued Cuevas.

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Inge was the winner of the contest with 15 petals, and Beverly was runner up with 14 petals.

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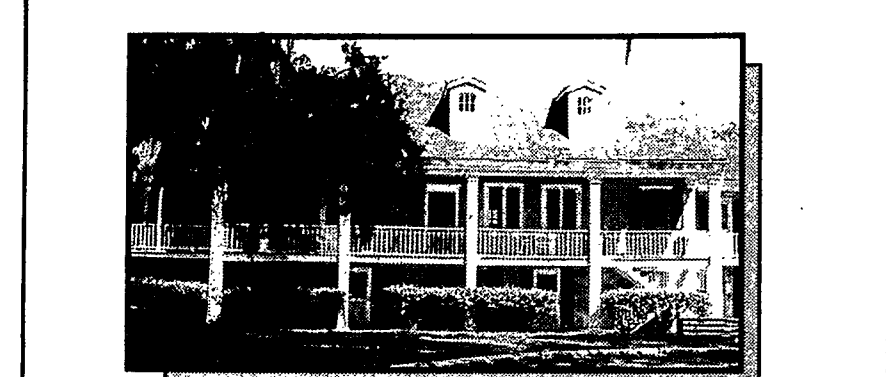
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Entertainment

Reggae festival set in New Orleans

The 15th Annual Reggae Riddims International Arts Festival is scheduled June 9 and 10 in New Orleans at Marconi Meadows at City Park, featuring a culturally diverse lineup of entertainers bringing world class Jamaican, African, Cuban, Haitian rhythms with the sounds of Reggae, Soca, SKA, Dub Poetry, and R&B.

The festival's distinction is its fusion of New Orleans and Caribbean cuisine, culture, arts and crafts and music amidst Marconi Park's tropical aura of weeping willows, bayou trees and misty breezes coming off the bayou. Known for tasty Caribbean foods, such as curry goat, jerk chicken and conk fritters prepared by renowned chefs from Palmer's and Boswell's Jamaican Restaurants for example.

The RRIAF is the only festival in New Orleans where you can taste the tropics and feel the rhythms of the Caribbean.

Festival fans from all over attend the festival annually bringing last years overall total into the high 30,000 mark. Each year's entertainment lineup presents a variety of music, such as World Beat music, Reggae, Jazz, and R&B on one stage.

The 15th annual festival presents for the 4th time the Ra Ra Reggae sounds of Haiti's Papa Jube and Jamaica's Dub Poet Mutabaruka (backed by the

Skool Band) who's extraordinary appearance in the movie Sankofa is still talked about today, Jamaica's dynamic DJ Capleton, his sweetness Cocoa Tea, and the rootsy Louie Culture, uniquely groovy SKA sounds of the Piffers, and representing New Orleans: Bamboula 2000, Early Brooks, Jr. & Jah's Posse, The Revelers and Daughters of Jah. More to be added.

Founded by Ernest Kelly, who was born and raised in New Orleans. Kelly garnered his production experience while majoring in Accounting at Louisiana Tech University. A heartfelt love for music inspired many years of producing R&B concerts. The Reggae Riddims International Arts Festival is a division of the International Arts Foundation; a non-profit organization that uses "festival" proceeds to support local community projects.

Gate opens at noon. Early Bird: (before May 15) \$10, after May 15, \$15. At the gate \$20. Special two day passes: \$50 includes in/out access and V.I.P. seating near stage and a gift. Children under 12 admitted free when accompanied by an adult. Free parking.

For more information, call (504) 367-1313 or (888) 767-1317 or all area Ticketmaster. For concert updates visit the website: www.reggaeriddims.org.

Bay Little Theatre serving wine and cheese with 'Harry & Sam'

The Bay St. Louis Little Theatre will be serving complimentary wine and cheese at the opening of the current play, The Harry and Sam Dialogues, at 7 p.m. Friday, May 11.

This is the first play directed for BSLLT by Marty Fitzgerald, who has been an active member of the Coast theater community for many years, as an award winning actor, director and set designer for Biloxi Little Theatre and The Walter Anderson Players.

Fitzgerald is currently serving on the board of the Bay St.

Louis Little Theatre as stage and sets chairman.

The two-man cast about the Coast's newest odd couple is starring Jay Coker as Sam, and Scott Darrah as Harry.

The performances are Fridays and Saturdays, May 11, 12, 18 and 19, at 8 p.m., and Sunday matinees, May 13 and 20 at 2.

Admission is \$9/adults, \$7/under 18, and 20% discount for groups of 10 or more (with reservations).

For further details, call 228-467-2587, or 466-2728.

Dining Out

'Chopstix' restaurant opening soon at Grand

Chopstix, a new fine dining restaurant, is set to open this year in mid-May at Grand Casino Biloxi.

It has gained great popularity and accolades in Atlanta, Georgia with its very upscale Chinese cuisine with a distinct Hong Kong flair.

It is a one-of-a-kind experience that combines exquisite food, a romantic, atmosphere, and white glove service. And the new Chopstix at Grand Casino Biloxi promises to deliver the same exemplary service.

The new Mississippi restaurant will be located in the Bayview Hotel lobby area of Grand Casino Biloxi, replacing the Oaks Café.

The renovation and remodeling of the new restaurant is currently underway. The new Chopstix will be an upscale, romantic restaurant that will greet guests with soft colors, formal dining tables, candle-lit décor and an intimate piano

bar. Philip Chan, creator of Chopstix, has garnered an impressive cache of awards since opening the first restaurant in 1984.

Chopstix was selected by Atlanta Magazine as "The Best Chinese Restaurant in the Southeast," as well as receiving 5 stars from Mobil with the distinction as "one of the 500 most distinguished restaurants in America."

Chan himself has also received personal recognition for his culinary talents: In 1994 the National Executive Chef's Association named him Chef of the Year.

Chan creates all the many special dishes from his vast experience and creative flair.

His signature dishes on the menu include the Pine Nut Chicken, which includes crispy spinach with a honey and sugar glaze, and the New Zealand Rack of Lamb.

Other entrees include a Cantonese-style lobster tail fried in light cornstarch, pan seared scallops with lemon and honey, and Orange Roughy with a papaya mango relish.

But the most popular item on the menu with most Chopstix diners is the Peking roast duck.

The restaurant will serve breakfast, lunch and dinner on a daily basis. Lunch hours will be from 11am to 4pm, and dinner will be from 5-10 p.m.

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